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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual describes the operation of E.E. Tools' programmers. TopMax/ChipMax/ChipMax2/TopMaxII/UniMax/ProMax8G(4G) are software, Maxloader, driven device programmers. The information contained in this manual has been reviewed for accuracy, clarity, and completeness.
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Programmer Models for PC USB Interface

Programmer Models for PC USB Interface Multi-Sockets

Programmer Models for PC parallel Interface

About This Manual

TopMax/ChipMax/ChipMax2/TopMaxII/UniMax/ProMax-8G(4G) User Guide explains how to install and run the programming software in your computer.

- Chapter 2 contains instructions for installing and running Maxloader.
- Chapter 3 describes the most popular programmable devices.
- Chapter 4 contains all terms and symbols used in the manual.
- Chapter 5 describes basic operating examples of programmers.

- Chapter 6 is organized by main operating commands and gives detailed instructions on each command.
- Chapter 7 provides troubleshooting information for identifying and solving problems with programmers. It provides a detailed guide for E.E.Tools' technical support and return material procedures.
- Chapter 8 introduces a useful product, EPROM Emulator.
- Chapter 9 describes the recent information of NAND Flash
- Chapter 10 contains glossary about programmable devices and package types.

This Manual assumes that you have a working knowledge of your personal computer and its operating conventions.

General Description

TopMax/ChipMax/ChipMax2/TopMaxII/UniMax/ProMax-8G /4G are software driven device programmers that support a wide variety of programmable devices including: EPROM, EEPROM, Serial PROM, EPLD, PEEL, GAL, FPGA, and single chip Microcontroller.
TopMax/ChipMax easily connects to the parallel printer port of any IBM PC, and can operate with a full spectrum of IBM compatibles: PC 386, 486, Pentium, PS/2, portable (laptop), and clone computers. TopMaxII/UniMax/ProMax-8G(4G) connects to the USB(2.0) port of any IBM PC, and can operate with a full spectrum of IBM compatibles.
The great advantage of a programmer is their programming speed and superior software. All programmers are controlled via a host IBM PC computer. The operating software has a user-friendly interface that includes window pull-down menus and virtual memory management to deal with very large files.

2. GETTING STARTED / INSTALLATION

Installation Requirements

Maxloader is designed to operate with any 386, 486, Pentium, PS/2, Portable (notebook), compatibles running WIN 95/98/ ME/NT/2000, and XP. The computer requires a CD-ROM drive, but a hard disk drive is also recommended.

Hardware Installation

The following section details the procedure for accomplishing the hardware installation procedure. TopMax / / ChipMax easily connect to any parallel printer port in your computer and TopMaxII / ChipMax2/ UniMax / ProMax-8G(4G) connects to USB 2.0 port in your PC.

To Install the software from a CD drive

- Place CD-ROM in the CD-ROM or DVD drive.
- Choose a programmer model from the list of files located on the menu screen. And then The SETUP program will launch the installation procedure.

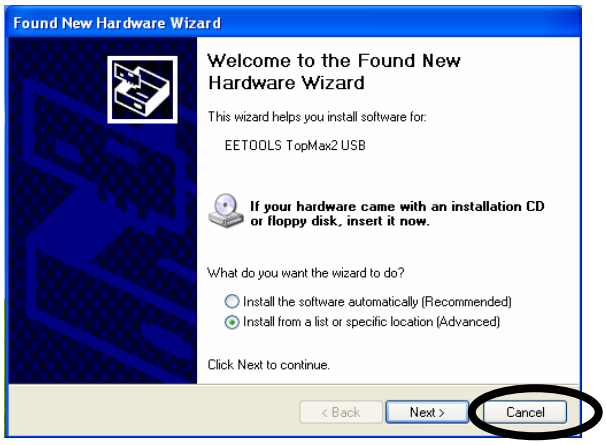
To Start the windows software

- To run the windows software, select your product model shortcut in the Windows Start Menu / Programs list.
- From Configuration Menu, you can choose one of the TopMax/ChipMax/ChipMax2/TopMaxII/UniMax/ProMax-8G(4G) that you use.

To install software and connect to PC for USB programmers

- The software works with Windows OS 98, SE, Me, 2000, And XP.
- Follow the steps below for Windows.

1. Make sure a programmer is not connected to your computer, then turn on your computer.
2. Note: If you see New Hardware Wizard screen and disconnect your programmer. You cannot install programmer software that way.


Found New Hardware Wizard
Welcome to the Found New Hardware Wizard
This wizard helps you install software for:
EETOOLS TopMax2 USB
If your hardware came with an installation CD or floppy disk, insert it now.
What do you want the wizard to do?
Install the software automatically (Recommended)
Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)
Click Next to continue.
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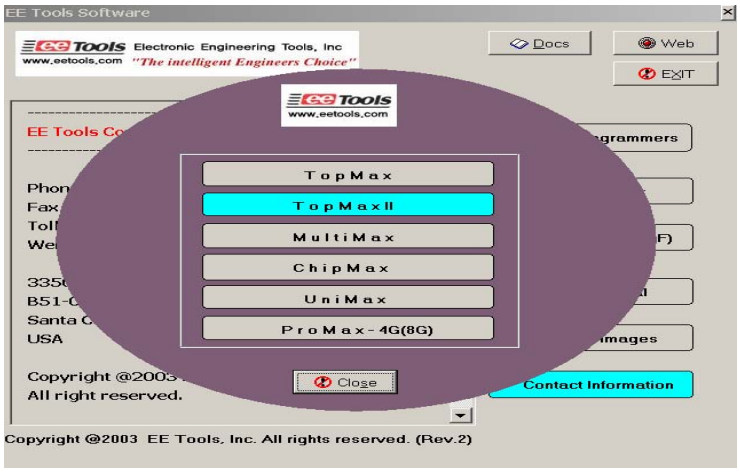
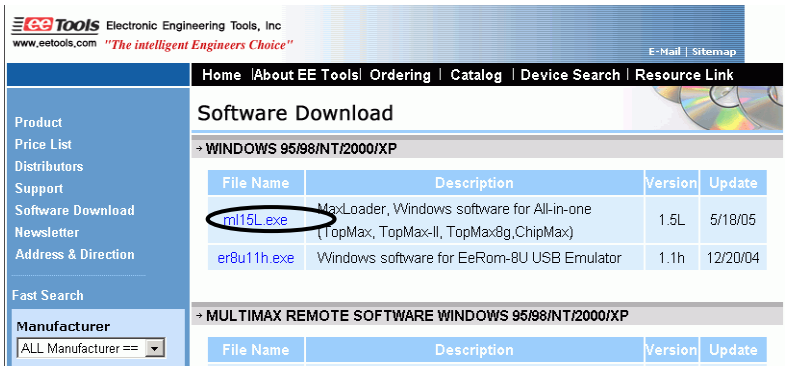
Next >
Cancel

3. Insert the CD-ROM from factory (EE Tools) in your CD-ROM or DVD driver.
4. Wait until you see this screen then Click on Device Programmers and choose a programmer name. The executable file name for the installation is in the CD-ROM.



Note: Customers who want to install the latest software may download the maxloader file from www.eetools.com



5. Set up maxloader software

Max Loader For Windows - InstallShield Wizard
Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for Max Loader For Windows
The InstallShield(R) Wizard will install Max Loader For Windows on your computer. To continue, click Next.
WARNING: This program is protected by copyright law and international treaties.
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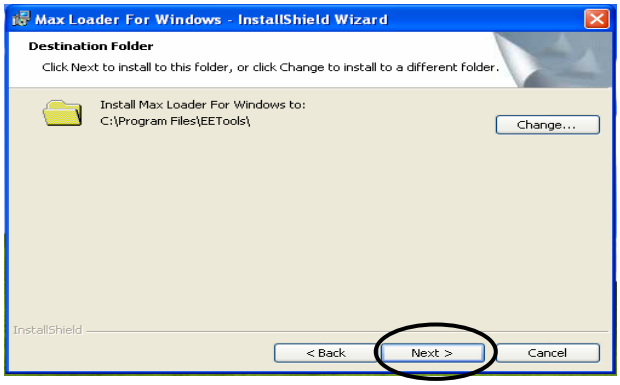
Cancel


Max Loader For Windows - InstallShield Wizard
Destination Folder
Click Next to install to this folder, or click Change to install to a different folder.
Install Max Loader For Windows to:
C:\Program Files\EETools\
Change...
InstallShield
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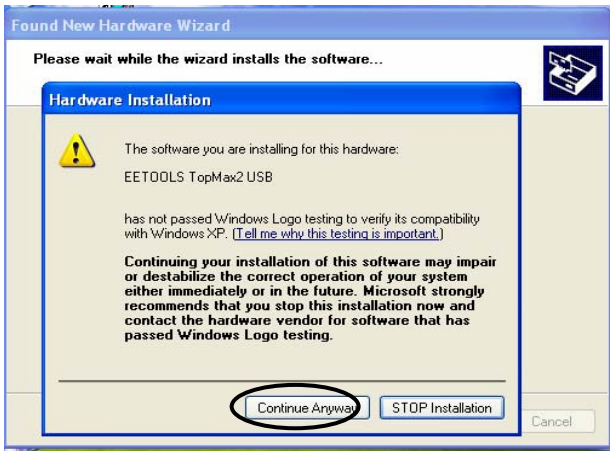
Cancel

6. Install Maxloader and the maxloader icon and USB driver (eetusb.inf and eetusb.sys files) will be generated in directory C:\program files\EE Tools\.

- Follow the steps below for installation for USB 2.0 driver.

7. Connect a USB cable between programmer and your computer and turn the power switch ON after connecting the power cord in the programmer.


Found New Hardware Wizard
Please wait while the wizard installs the software...
Hardware Installation
The software you are installing for this hardware:
EETOOLS TopMax2 USB
has not passed Windows Logo testing to verify its compatibility with Windows XP. (Tell me why this testing is important.)
Continuing your installation of this software may impair or destabilize the correct operation of your system either immediately or in the future. Microsoft strongly recommends that you stop this installation now and contact the hardware vendor for software that has passed Windows Logo testing.
Continue Anyway
STOP Installation
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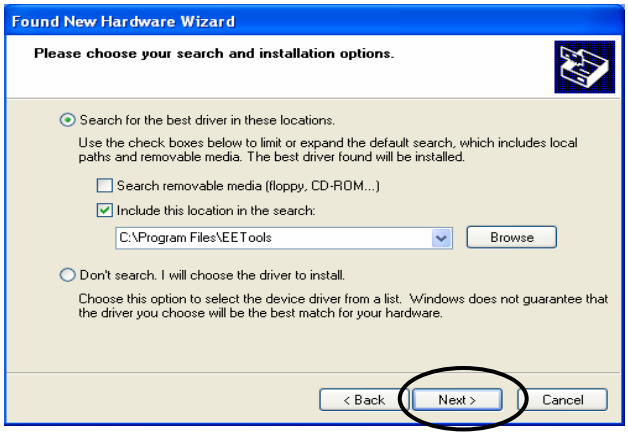
Found New Hardware Wizard
Please choose your search and installation options.
Search for the best driver in these locations.
Use the check boxes below to limit or expand the default search, which includes local paths and removable media. The best driver found will be installed.
Search removable media (floppy, CD-ROM...)
Include this location in the search:
C:\Program Files\EETools
Browse
Don't search. I will choose the driver to install.
Choose this option to select the device driver from a list. Windows does not guarantee that the driver you choose will be the best match for your hardware.
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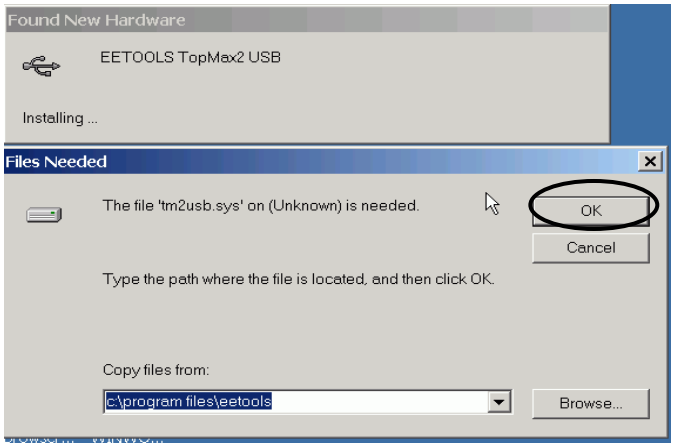
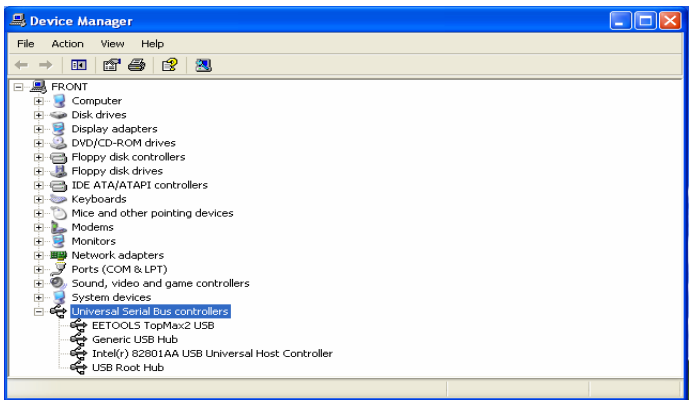
Next >
Cancel

Note: In Windows2000, you need to choose "specific location" when the "Found New Hardware Wizard" appears. The USB driver files are generated in directory C:\program files\EE Tools. Or you can find the USB driver files in the CD-ROM comes in the product package.



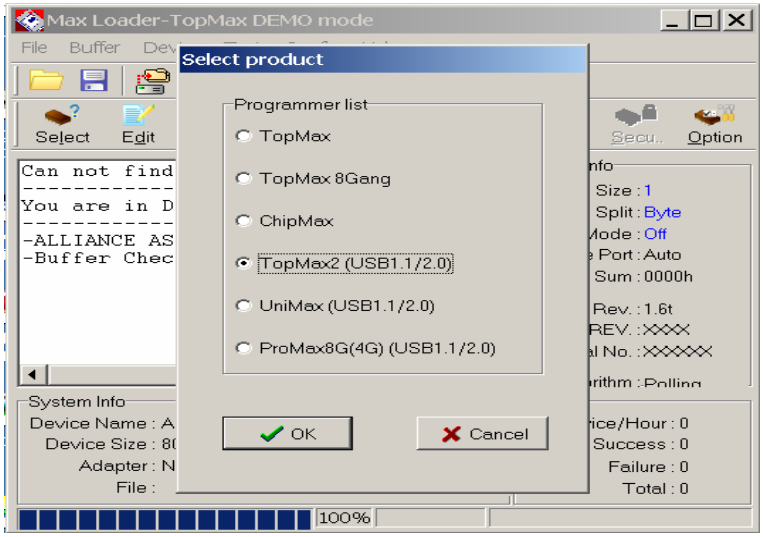
8. Click on the Finish button on the Wizard screen and you can confirm the USB driver in Device Manager in your computer system.



Note: For a computer that doesn't installed USB 2.0 controller, you need to install USB 2.0 driver for the particular product vendor.

9. Execute Maxloader and choose Programmer model

10. Choose your programmer that is ready to be use in your computer.



Note: Watch the model name in left-up corner screen and the TopMaxII won't be ready if "DEMO mode" appears in the screen. Check the USB cable and turn on the AC switch in the back side of unit.

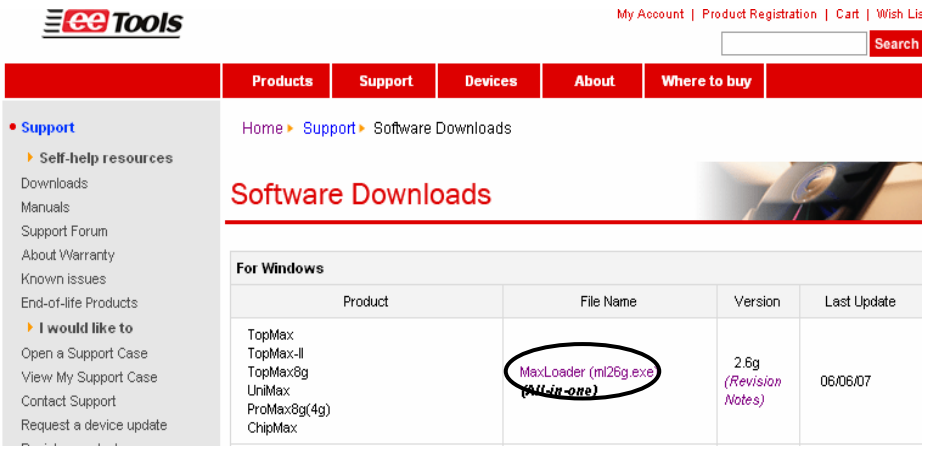
To install the Software for parallel port programmers

There are three different addresses for the parallel port. When you select an address from LPT1, LPT2, LPT3, one of them should be valid without a communication error message. Turn the AC switch ON before running the Maxloader software. Make sure you connect the printer (IEEE) cable between TopMax/ChipMax and your available printer port and lock the shields in each side of the cable. Be sure that your programmer recognizes your computer's parallel port address when you execute the Maxloader icon. (MEMO mode is indicated that your programmer has a "communication error")

1. Connect print cable between PC and programmer.
2. Connect AC cord to programmer.
3. Turn on AC switch located on the back side of TopMax
4. Install programmer software that comes in a CD-R (or download the latest software (all-in-one) from www.eetools.com
5. After the Maxloader is installed, you choose a programmer name in the very first screen menu

To download the software from the www.eetools.com web site

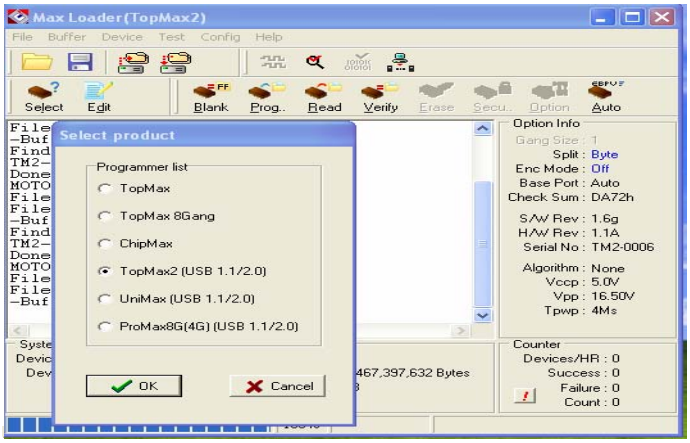
1. Click on "Software download" button on left at www.eetools.com and download maxloader software. The file will be saved to your hard disk. The maxloader can be operated for All-in-one (all programmers-in-one software).
2. Once the download is complete, double-click on the file name to install the software.



***NOTE**: For the latest software upgrade, remove the old maxloader in "Add/Remove Program" of " Setting / Control Panel" in 2000/XP before installing a new Maxloader in your PC.*

Select Product

After Maxloader is installed, choose a programmer among TopMax, TopMax-8G, ChipMax/ChipMax2, TopMaxII, UniMax, and ProMax8G(4G) hardware in the very first Maxloader screen menu. Or Click on Config / Select product Make sure to select the right model and turn the switch on. (TopMaxII, ProMax, TopMax) or connect the AC cord (UniMax, ChipMax/ChipMax2**)**



Trouble Shooting In Installation

A communication error may occur on the screen if the hardware / software are not correctly installed.

Be sure that the following steps are checked:

- Make sure the USB driver is installed after Maxloader software is set up in PC.
- Make sure that the programmer hardware unit is connected to your PC printer port or USB port directly. A programmer for parallel port interface will not work with multiple port connectors.
- Be sure your printer cable is firmly connected to your computer and the programmer. Plug in the AC power cord to your programmer and turn on the switch in the back of the unit before clicking on the Maxloader icon.

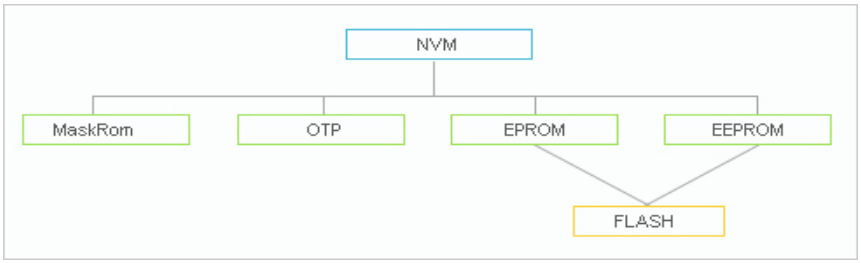
***NOTE**: The Maxloader detects the printer port address when you install the new software. When you see "Cannot find the programming module," go to CONFIG/PORT and select all three parallel port addresses. If the same error message continues, contact technical support.*

3. FAMILIES OF PROGRAMMABLE DEVICES

The devices that are supported on the E.E.Tools, Inc programmers are:

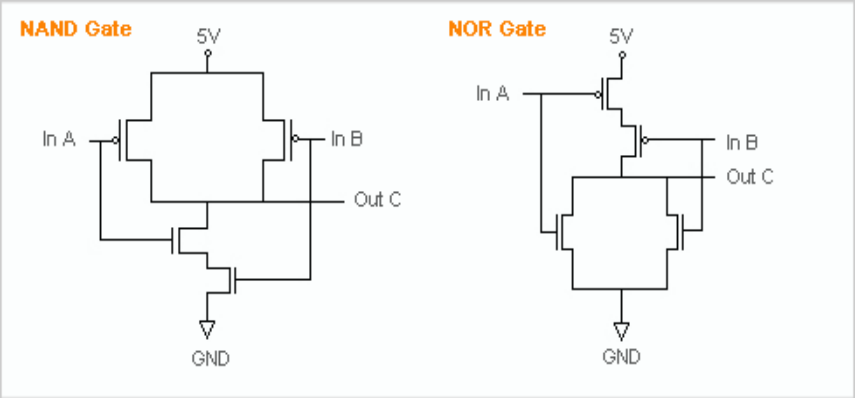
- **NVM : Non Volatile Memory**
- **ROM : Read Only Memory**
- **OTP : One Time Programmable ROM**
- **EPROM : Erasable Programmable ROM**
- **EEPROM : Electrically Erasable & Programmable ROM**

NVM Hierarchy



Flash Memory

Flash Memory Technologies



A	B	C(and)	C(nand)	A	B	C(or)	C(nor)
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
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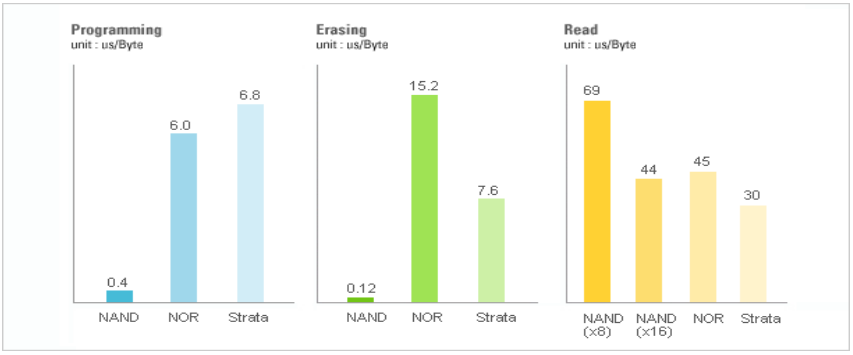
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0

Performance Comparison



* NAND Flash : High Wright Performance

Serial Flash EEPROM

The non-volatile Serial Flash Memory is widely used for code storage and user settings in cost-sensitive applications such as CD and DVD players, set-top-boxes (STB), digital-TV and cameras, graphic cards, printers, PC motherboards and flat panel displays. These products typically run their operating code from fast Random Access Memory (RAM), after downloading the code from the low-cost Serial Flash Memory at power-up. Several semiconductor manufacturers produce this device family named as 25xxx.

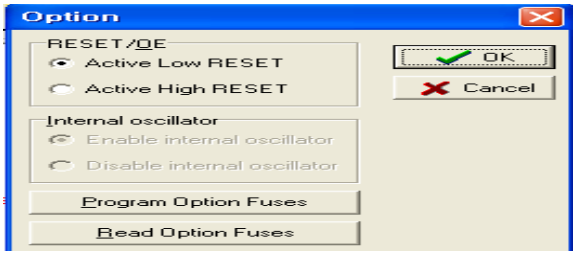
Serial EEPROM

These devices are electrically erasable, but they operate in a series rather than in parallel.

- **Xilinx 17xx family**

From the Xilinx 17xx series, the RESET Polarity can be changed only on Xilinx 17xxD/L and 17128. On devices with EPROM portion already programmed or on new blank devices, RESET polarity is HIGH.

The current status of the Reset pin polarity is determined and displayed on the screen after Reading the device. The polarity of the Reset pin can ONLY be changed from HIGH to LOW, but not vice versa. To change the polarity, click on the Option button and check the Reset bit box before programming your device. To make certain that the RESET Polarity has been changed, read the device again. On the other serial EEPROM devices (but NOT Xilinx 17xxD/L & 17128) the RESET polarity is always HIGH and it can not be changed to LOW.



Non-Typical Devices

8-bit 1-Megabits

There are four types of 1 Megabits EPROMS. One set has the A16 and OE lines swapped. However, this device will still program and verify like normal 1 Megabits. Once this device is placed into the circuit, it will appear as if it has not been programmed correctly. This is not due to the Maxloader software or the programmer, but the difference between these 1 Megabits. When selecting a 1 Megabit, it is important to determine which one you have. Here is a list of 1 Megabits and their equivalents:
27010 (normal pin-out -- program as GENERIC or INTEL 27010):
Equivalents: INTEL 27010, HITACHI 27101, TOSHIBA 571000, NEC 271001, MITSUBISHI 27101, 27301 (non-standard pin-out -- program as HITACHI 27301's):
Equivalents: HITACHI 27301, NEC 271000, MITSUBISHI 27100, TOSHIBA 571001, INTEL 27C100

16-bit 1-Megabits

Any devices with the number 27210, 271024 and the MITSUBISHI 27102.
27011: The 27011 is a 28-pin 1-megabit device that is organized into 8 pages of 16k-bytes. ***NOTE***: The 27512 is 4 pages of 16k-bytes.

Erasing an EPROM

An EPROM has a quartz window located on the chip just above the die. Erasing an EPROM is done by exposing the EPROM to high-frequency ultra-violet(UV) light waves. Erasing an EPROM usually takes 15-20 minutes, but may be shorter or longer, depending on the device. If you wish to purchase an Eraser, call E.E. Tools at (408) 263-2221. When an EPROM is not being erased, the window may be covered with an opaque label. Sometimes (over a period of years) an EPROM will start to erase due to the rooms level of fluorescent light. Direct exposure to sunlight also has the same effect, but happens much more rapidly

.

PLD

A programmable logic device (PLD) consists of an array of logic gates and flip-flops that can be programmed to implement an almost unlimited number of logic designs. These are programmable logic arrays that can be EEPROM based, EPROM based, fused link, anti-fuse, or Flash-based technology. They are programmable by the user to implement logic circuits in order to reduce part count and turnaround time. PLDs are programmed according to a fuse map, which is typically contained in a JEDEC file.

***NOTE**: PLD compiler CUPL EE Tools offers PLD development tool for engineers who want to generate a JEDEC file for data of PLD devices. Four different tools are available in www.eetools.com*

PLD Features

Many different PLDs are available from the IC manufacturers. PLDs are fabricated using either bipolar or CMOS Processes. All PLDs are made up of combinations of AND gates, OR gates, inverters, and flip-flops.

- **PAL**: The PAL is a PLD with a fuse-programmable AND array. The PAL's AND gates connect to OR gates in a fixed pattern.

- **PROM**: For many years, the PROM was not classified as a PLD, even though most of the smaller PROMs (i.e. 32 x 8 organization) were being used as logic elements. The larger PROMs were still applied in bipolar microprocessor designs to store microcode instructions. The PROM has an architecture similar to the PAL, except that the PROM's AND array is fixed while it's OR array is programmable.

- **FPLA**: The field-programmable logic array (FPLA) consists of a programmable AND array like the PAL, with a programmable OR array like the PROM. The FPLA is therefore a more general PLD because any product term may be connected to any output OR gate. Because the entire IC is programmable, the FPLA can implement some functions which a PAL or PROM may not be able to implement.

- **EPLD**: Several manufacturers produce PLDs which can be erased and reprogrammed like EPROMs. These ICs are called erasable programmable logic devices or EPLDs. Internally, they have the same programmable AND-OR-register structures of the PAL and FPLA.

Microcontroller

These devices are CPU's with on-chip EPROM and RAM. They are typically 40 pins and are UV erasable. They have part numbers such as Intel's 8748,8749,8751,8752 etc. A micro-controller is generally a computer-on-a-chip with RAM, ROM, and I/O ports. Microcontrollers are usually used for specific purposes, such as keyboard decoders, printers, clocks, telephones, CD-players, or any other application that requires a small, on-board computer. Microcontrollers are used to take the place of in-circuit logic, as it can be less expensive and take less space. Also, since it is software driven, the device may be updated very easily. Micro-controllers have the ability to use internal as well as external RAM. Also, micro-controller data may be encrypted or otherwise

secured to prevent copying of the data or program information. Microcontrollers also have their own instruction set, usually very similar to familiar Microprocessors (such as the 8080 or 8086). The INTEL MCS-51 family features up to 64k each of internal and external memory, 32 I/O lines, interrupts, timers, and bit-addressable RAM. Its instruction set contains 111 instructions. However, for specific purposes, limited versions of the 51 family are available. For instance, the Philips 87c751/87c752 families do not allow external RAM to be used, and have limited I/O channels, etc. However, these devices still allow for data/program encryption and security levels. They are also less expensive than the MCS-51 micro-controllers.
See the help selection under MAIN-MENU COMMANDS for Encryption and Security-bit information.

***NOTE**: Programming Microchip PIC family*
Microchip PIC series are different from other Microcontrollers in that they have an EPROM area as well as a Configuration Fuse. The Configuration Fuse in the PIC family is used to setup different Oscillator types, to set Memory Code Protection and Watchdog timer, and etc. To program this fuse:

1. *Program the EPROM portion of the device*
2. *Click on* **Option**
3. *Make any changes if necessary*
4. *Click on the* **Program Configuration Fuses** *button to program the fuse information that you want to program*
5. *Click on the* **Read Current Configuration Fuses** *button to read back the current status of the fuse*
6. *Press the* **Close** *button*

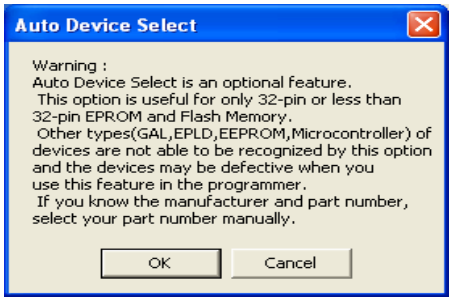
***NOTE**: In order to obtain more information about programming the configuration fuse, please contact Microchip technology at www.microchip.com or refer to their data book.*

About "Device ID" and "Auto Select" on EE Tools programmers

Most of the devices have their own manufacturer and device ID's in each programmable devices such as E(E)PROM / Flash Memory, PLD, and MCU. However the old type of devices such as PAL, PROM, or 2816 does not come with an ID because the IC makers didn't put its ID for the older chip types.

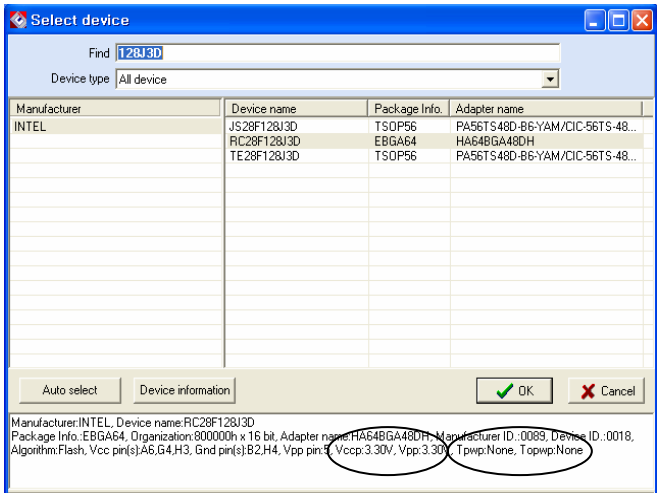
(Auto Select)

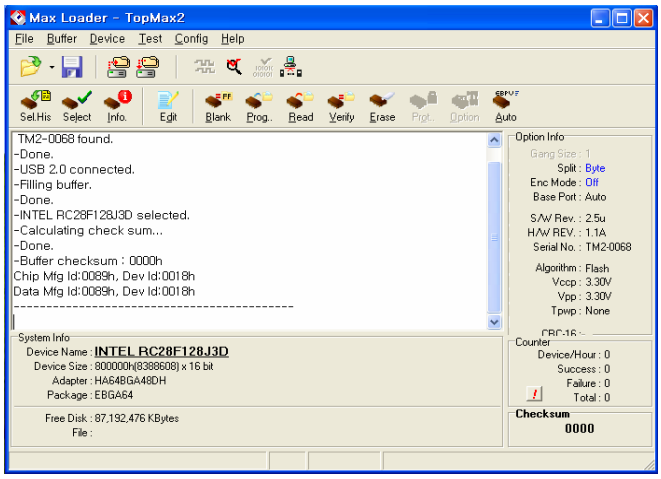
As you can see the "warning" in the Auto Select menu in Maxloader, we can only guarantee the "auto select" function for 32-pin or less device in E(E)PROM / Flash Memory. Since device library in programmer software has information for these standard device, users can utilize this feature as their purpose. However, all other devices such as PLD, Serial Memory, Microcontroller, and FPGA are not able to be recognized by programmer software automatically . We use this feature as optional device selection menu. Auto Select command allows you choose an unknown device through device IDs which were recorded in Maxloader library. Put a device up to 32-pin on the ZIF socket of programmer and click on "Auto Select" in Select Device menu. It will find out a correct device ID and choose a correct device for you.


Auto Device Select
Warning :
Auto Device Select is an optional feature.
This option is useful for only 32-pin or less than 32-pin EPROM and Flash Memory.
Other types(GAL,EPLD,EEPROM,Microcontroller) of devices are not able to be recognized by this option and the devices may be defective when you use this feature in the programmer.
If you know the manufacturer and part number, select your part number manually.
OK
Cancel

(To Find a Device ID)

After selecting a certain device from Select Device menu and plug-in a corresponding device in ZIF socket, you can see the ID(s) when you pressing "Shift" and "F1" keys in your keyboard.





In the software menu, Chip(in socket) MFG(manufacturer) ID and DATA(in software) ID must be identical if your target device is valid .

If it does not, check the socket with your device if you use NON-Standard (DIP) device or use test other devices in case the first device may be defective. This ID check must be passed before further operation on your device.

4. TERMS AND SYMBOLS USED IN THE GUIDE

Safety Note Conventions

- ***NOTE*** *assists the user in performing a task. It makes the job more easily understood.*
- ***CAUTION*** *alerts the user that unexpected results or damages to a device may occur if an instruction is not followed.*

Other terms and definitions are as follows

- **Toolbar** : Clicking on a toolbar button manipulates operations or commands for Maxloader programmer software.
- Bold/Italics : actions items/software functions, i.e. Edit Button, IC Test, or Change Algorithm.
- Device : The IC you are attempting to read, program, or verify.
- Buffer : The work area in your computer memory to execute Read, Save, Program, and Verify. The Buffer size may be from 64K to 32 Megabytes.

NOTE*: If the size of a device is bigger than the buffer size in your computer, Maxloader will use the hard disk space (swapping). For this reason, the Maxloader software can handle devices up to unlimited size of E(E)PROMs with your standard memory space (a minimum of 512KB RAM memory is required).*

Choosing a Right Adapter

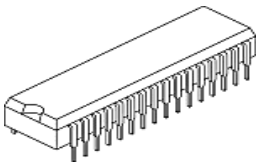
Most programming adapters are simple package converters. They allow TSOP, QFP, SOIC, or PLCC devices to plug into the same device's DIP footprint. These adapters are available for memory, logic, and Microcontrollers. They can often be used with many devices from various manufacturers. For devices that cannot use a generic footprint we have offered adapters to work with specific programmers.

Here is what you need to know to select an appropriate adapter.

1) A part number and manufacturer of your device.
2) A device package. (TSOP, PLCC, DIP, QFP, SOIC, etc.)
   (Refer to the following package drawings)
3) Pin numbers in your device.
4) In some cases you need to know your device package dimensions for SOIC, SSOP, and TSOP packages.

Different Device Packages

DIP



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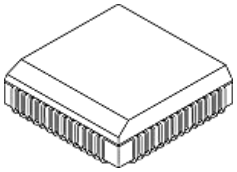

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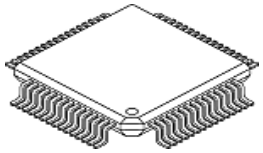
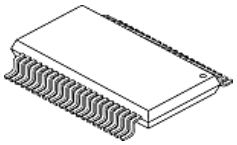
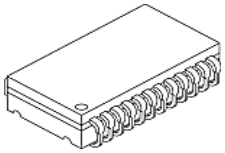


TSOP



SOJ



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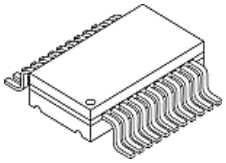

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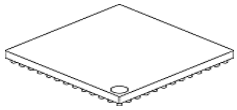

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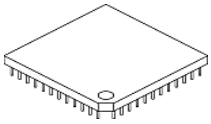

Different Programming Adapters

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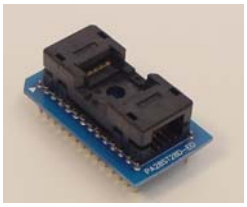
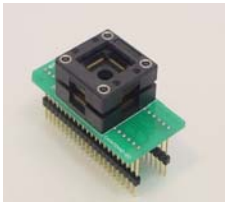


TSOP-TO-DIP



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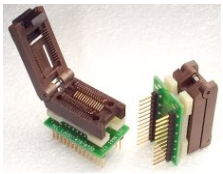
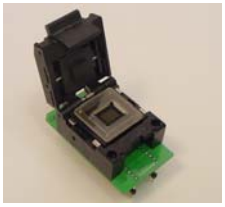
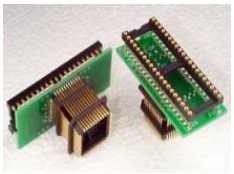


SOIC-TO-PLCC



BGA-TO-DIP



DIP-TO-PLCC (for Emulator)

5. QUICK START EXAMPLES

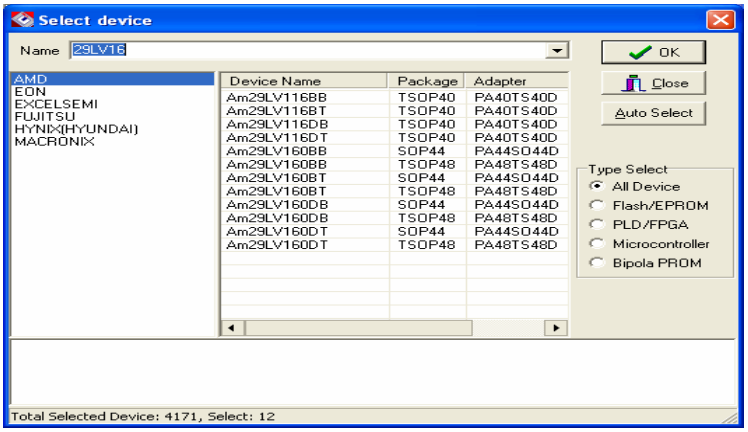
If you are using a programmer for the first time, this section will help you to become familiar with the basic operating procedure. This section includes two examples of device programming with your programmer.

Programming an EPROM with data

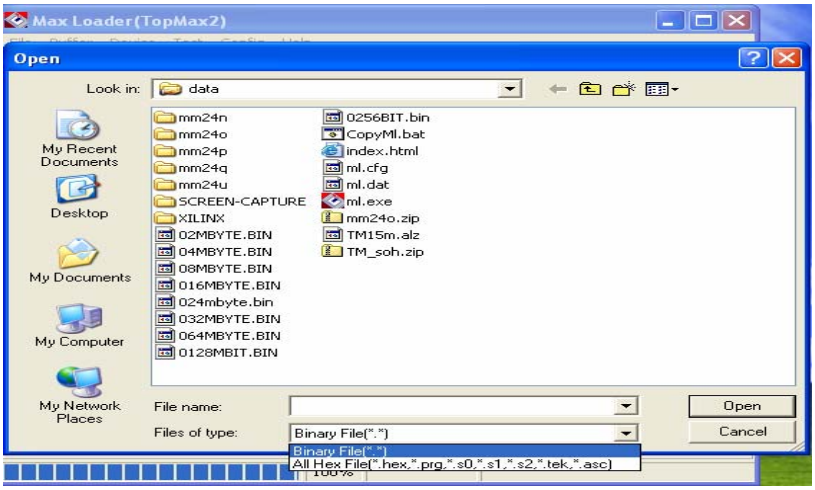
We selected an AMD 27C010 EPROM to show you how to program an EPROM. The 27C010 EPROM needs to be erased (blank) before this procedure begins.

***NOTE**: EPROMs have a quartz window that can be erased by exposing the EPROMs to Ultra-Violet(UV) light. Erasing an EPROM usually takes 10-30 minutes.*

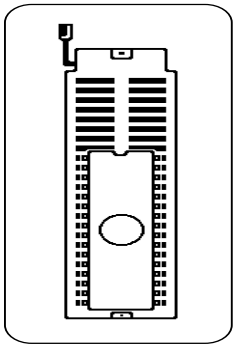
1. Click on the Maxloader icon in your desk top menu after installing the Maxloader.
2. Check the optional configuration before programming begins.
3. Click on the **Select** button. There are two different ways to select the target device from the menu: 1) by choosing the device manufacturer type using the arrow keys or 2) by typing the manufacturer and the device names on NAME box. Maxloader will display the names of the devices that have the best match to your input. After selecting the device, the detailed device information box is provided below the select menu screen.



4.Click on the **Load** to load a file from a floppy or hard disk into the buffer. Change your file directory by choosing a directory in Look in box. Choose a file name and type of the file. Make sure that the file type is selected; "All Hex File" or "Binary file" is located in the File of type box.



5. Insert the 27C010 device into the ZIF socket. After inserting the part, make sure that the socket handle is down (close) to secure the chip.
See the illustration below:



6. Click on the highlighted cursor ***Blank Check***.

NOTE*: If an EPROM is not erased completely, it will not pass the Blank Check. If an EPROM is damaged to begin with, it may not pass the blank check, although it has been erased for a long time in UV eraser.*

7. Click on the ***Program***.

CAUTION*: Do not touch the device while the BUSY green LED light is on (programming is in progress).*

After programming a device, the part is automatically verified. The Checksum is calculated and displayed in the OPTION info. In order to verify your work, read the programmed part again. If this Checksum value matches to that of the programming checksum, then the 27C010 is programmed successfully.

Duplicating an EPROM from a master IC device

The following is an instruction on duplicating a programmed device. In order to do so a source device and an **erased (blank)** target device are necessary.
Source Device: Programmed AMD 27C256

Target Device: Erased or blank INTEL 27C256

1. Make sure the Maxloader is displayed without any communication error (refer to programming section).
2. Place the AMD 27C256 device into the ZIF socket.
3. Select the manufacturer and part names from the **Select** menu.
4. Click on the **Read** button. In order to make sure the device is read properly, Click on the **Verify** button.
5. Remove the current chip from the socket and replace it with the erased or blank Intel 27C256 device. Select the appropriate device from **Select** menu on screen.

***NOTE**: You do not need to change the device information if you use the exact same chip as the source device.*

6. Click on the **Blank** button.
7. Click on the **Program** button. The part will be programmed and verified automatically. If no error messages appear during the Programming or Verification process, your duplicating work is done successfully. You have a duplicated Intel 27C256 part from AMD 27C256 chip.

6. MAXLOADER OPERATIONS

This section describes the operation of the software. The Main standard system-menu is divided into four display areas: Main operation menu screen, Option Information, System information, and counter.

Basic Menu Screen Information

Option Information

- **Gang Size** : Current socket size when Maxloader is used
- **Split** : Current world format for split programming
- **Enc Mode** : Enable or Disable Encryption mode for Microcontrollers
- **Base Port** : Current parallel port address
- **Check-Sum** : Check-Sum number of the data in current buffer

- **H/W Rev** : Hardware revision number for your programmer
- **S/W Rev** : Current Maxloader software revision number
- **Serial No** : Serial number of Maxloader hardware

(Additional Option Information For Non PLD Devices)

The following information presents programming information of the selected device.

- **Algorithm** : Programming Algorithm
- **Vccp** : Main Power Supply Voltage
- **Vpp** : Programming Power Supply Voltage
- **Tpwp** : Programming Pulse Width

System Information

- **Device Name** : The current device number with manufacturer name
- **Device Size** : The size of device in HEX value (Ending Address –Starting Address + 1)
- **Free Disk** : Check the free disk space for a big size E(E)PROM programming.
- **Adapter** : Optional Adapter Name for Non-standard devices
- **Pins** : Number of device pin
- **File** : Current working directory path and file name after loading a file

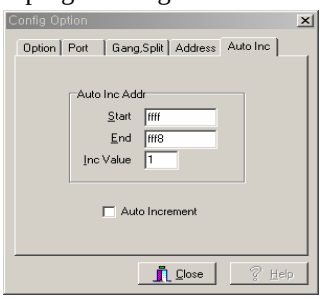
Counter

- **Devices/HR** : Displays the estimated number of devices that can be programmed per hour. This feature can only be used when choosing the *Program* or *Auto* selection under the Device button.
- **Success** : This number indicates the device programmed successfully.
- **Failure** : This number indicates the number of device programming errors that occur during a programming cycle. These could be either ***Blank Checking***, ***Programming***, or

***Verification** error*.

- **Count** : This number indicates all devices executed successfully and unsuccessfully.

NOTE: This feature is useful for repeat programming on the same device. You can make an estimate time to perform the programming job and see the successful and failed devices after finishing the Program or Auto Repeat programming routine.



***NOTE**: The feature allows users to program a certain area that might contain a serial number in the memory device with serialized number by a certain value.*

***Start** : Start address of memory that contains serialized data*

***End** : End address of memory*

***Inc Value** : This value will be added to the previous data value*

User must click on Auto Increment to program a memory with data increased by one to the previous data.

File

Maxloader uses three different file types: BINARY, ALL HEX, and . POF. In the file types box, a file type can be selected and loaded to the buffer or saved onto a disk. The default file type is the Binary file. The All HEX files can be chosen by maneuvering the arrow button. All HEX files include INTEL HEX (MCS-80/86/386, MOTOROLA S (1-9), Tektronix HEX and ASCII HEX. OPF

(Programmer Object File) is a binary file generated by Altera assembler (Quartus and MAX+PLUS II). This file should be loaded for Altera MAX or EPC family devices only.

- Binary Format

Binary format does not specify the address or checksum of the file. The file contains the actual binary data. An example of this format is a DOS executable file with an .EXE or .COM extension. Binary format is generated for programmable memory devices. It is recommended to save your EPROM data as binary format in order to load the file as a standard file format later.

- Intel HEX Format

Intel HEX format files are text files that include the file information in hexadecimal.

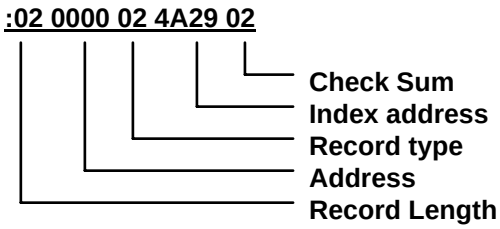
1	:	A record mark
2 – 3	Byte	Record length in 2 digit HEX, Max 20 (64 in ASCII)
4 – 7	Address	4 digit HEX Field. Most significant byte first
8 – 9	Byte	2 digit field record type : 01 End of file 02 Extended address
10 – N	Data	Data field in HEX digits
N+1 – N+2	Check-Sum	Two digit HEX Check-Sum character computed by two's complementing the sum of previous bytes except the ':'

INTEL HEX FILE EXAMPLE

:1100000004441544 14D414E2053332053455249414C73

:00000001FF

The extended address record specifies the index address where data will be loaded into. The Extended Address will continue to offset data record address until a new Extended Address record is specified.



- The Address field is blank because this record is not data.
- The record length is '02' for index address (2 Bytes).

NOTE: If the address for the data record is '2B56', the actual address will be 4A290 + 2B56 or 4CDE6(HEX).

■ Motorola S HEX Format

The Motorola S format file is an ASCII-HEX file.

Position (Byte)	Character	Remarks
1	S	Letter S indicates start of record
2	0, 1, 2, 3, or 9	A single character indicates the type of record.
	9: End-of-file	
	3: 32-bit address data record	
	2: 24-bit address data record	
	1: 16-bit address data record	
	0: Header	
3 - 4	Bytes	Byte COUNT in HEX (multiply by two for number of characters). This count includes the address, data, and Checksum field.
5 - X	Bytes	Memory Address for the current record.
	X will be:	
	8 : 16-bit addressing for files less than 64K.	

10: 24-bit addressing for files greater than 64K.
12: 32-bit addressing for files greater than 64K in length.

X+1 - N	Bytes	HEX Data (two per byte)
N+1 – N+2	Check-Sum	Two digit HEX Check-Sum character calculated by one's complement of DATA, ADDRESS and COUNT.

Motorola File Example

S325**20000000**2F0000EA060000EA0B0000EA100000EA160000EA0000A0E11B0000EA210000EA31

The file offset address is "20000000 ," so you should put this value in the "file offset" of "File Load" config option / address menu.

- TEKTRONIX HEX FORMAT

The Tektronix HEX format contains ASCII records, expressing bytes ASCII pairs.

Position	Character	Remarks
1	/	Slash character for start of line
2 - 5	2Bytes	Address. MSB first load
6 - 7	Byte	Number of data bytes (not checksums)
8 - 9	Byte	Check-Sum of ADDRESS and COUNT by character in HEX (not by byte)
10 - N	Data	Data bytes as ASCII pairs
N+1 - N+2	Byte	Check-Sum of Data by character (not as bytes)

Tek Hex Example

/00001102444154414D414E2053332053455249414C8F
/01000001

- ASCII HEX format

This selection generates an ASCII coded HEX format for either 4-bit or 8-bit PROMs. Each record contains a four-digit HEX address (16-bit) followed by 16 data elements. A 16-bit checksum is at the end of the file.

When this format is selected, the device base address must be specified. This address represents the lowest address in the device. The file created contains an entry for each location in this device. ASCII HEX format can be created for programmable memory devices only.

- JEDEC Standard <PLD devices only>

JEDEC (Joint Electronic Device Engineering Council) files are the standard method for describing PLD fuse patterns and test vectors. JEDEC files contain fuse data, test vectors, part numbers, and checksums. The checksum of the file allows you to verify that a given file is intact and has not been unintentionally modified. JEDEC files normally use the extension (last 3 letters) ".JED."
For more information on the JEDEC standard, contact:
Global Engineering Documents Inc. at (800) 854-7179
Electronic Industries Association at (202) 457-4900.
Following is an example of a JEDEC file:
<STX>File for PLD 15S8 Created on 11-SEP-96 5:08PM
2754 memory decode 345-432-123
Seung Park PK Logic corp.
QP20* QF448* QV8*
F0*X0*
L000011111011111111111111111111*
L002810111111111111111111111111*
L005611101111111111111111111111*
L011201011011011101111111111111*
L022401111011101110111111111111*
L033601010111011101111111111111*
V0001000000XXXNXXXHHHLXXN*
V0002010000XXXNXXXHHHLXXN*
V0003100000XXXNXXXHHHLXXN*
V0004110000XXXNXXXHHHLXXN*
V0005111000XXXNXXXHLHHXXN*
V0006111010XXXNXXXHLHHXXN*

V0007111100XXXNXXXHHLHXXN*
V0008111110XXXNXXXLHHLXXN*
C124E*<ETX>8646

STX The fuse map begins with an ASCII STX character (02 HEX)

Design Specification This item is user specific. While no format rules apply, certain information, such as user's name, company, design date, part designation, revision and device part number, should be entered. This field is illustrated by an asterisk (*).

QP Specifies the number of pins in the devices.

QF Specifies the number of JEDEC fuses in the devices.

L The fuse list fields contain the state of all fuse links in the devices. The starting fuse number follows the L specifying the field type. The fuse list that follows contains a zero (0) for each intact link and a one (1) for each blown link. An L field is generated for each product term in the device.

C The checksum field contains the 16-bit sum of the link stated in the 8-bit words.

ETX The fuse map ends with an ASCII ETX character (03 HEX).

Sum Check A 16-bit sum of the ASCII values of the characters from STX to ETX inclusive. The sum check follows the ETX.

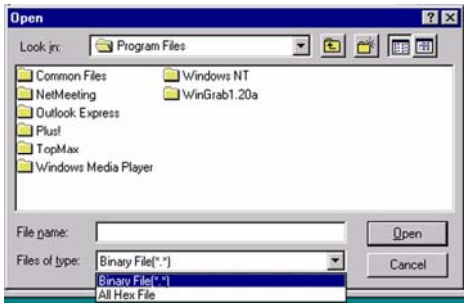
***NOTE**: LOGIC Compilers For PLD Devices: Software is available to help the engineer develop designs using PLDs. Software tools called logic assemblers or compilers translate a design file written in high-level language into a fuse pattern stored in a JEDEC file. JEDEC files are produced by almost all PLD development software's and are accepted by the Maxloader programmer. There are many commercial software packages available to help you design using PLDs.*

- POF file <Altera EPMxxx devices only>

The programming object file (**.pof**) for an EPM7128A or EPM7256A device can be programmed into the EPM7128AE or EPM7256AE device, respectively, using the MAX+PLUS® II software version 9.6 and later or with 3rd party programming software from EE Tools programmers.
For further question on POF file, contact http://www.altera.com/support/spt-index.html.

File / Load

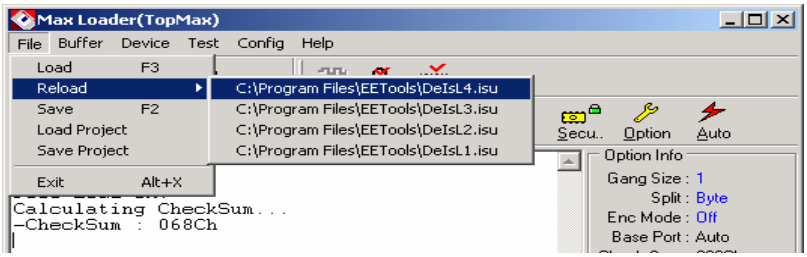
Data can be loaded into the memory from a device or by opening a data file. Load fills your buffer memory with the data from storage for viewing or editing. This command loads the data from the selected file storage into the memory buffer. In order to the use "All HEX File" selection, the HEX file must be one of the file formats supported by the Maxloader(TopMax/Chip Max), such as Intel HEX(MCS-80/86/386, MOTOROLA S(1-9), Tektronix HEX and ASCII HEX.



The default selection on File Load menu is in Binary Format. To select any of the HEX files mentioned above, choose "All HEX File" by pressing ⇓ button. When you have selected the desired file, press the OPEN button to load the file into the data buffer. If you are programming a PLD, you will want to load a

JEDEC file. The procedure is identical to loading a data file, except that the files in the current directory will have the JED extension. If your selected device is an Altera MAX family, the file you should load is a POF extension. The Maxloader uses a RAM buffer to hold data. After loading a file into the buffer, you can edit the buffer data. If you load a JEDEC file, you may use (the vector pattern edit) command to view or edit the fuse map and (test/vectors) for any test vectors that may have been in the JEDEC file.

File / Reload



Data can be reloaded into the memory from the file directories that contains previously loaded files. Reload remembers your file location and type (Binary or All Hex) that has been loaded into the buffer.

File / Save

Save the current data in your memory buffer to a disk storage by using one of the current supported file formats.

Before saving a file, check the buffer and the file address ranges. The contents of the buffer through the specified range will be written into the new file, completely erasing any existing file with the same name. Before saving to a disk, make sure that no file with the same name exists.

File/ Load Project

A project file that saved by SAVE PROJECT menu is loaded. The project files use the extension (last 3 letters) ".prj."

File/ Save Project

This feature allows you to create a job description such as "engineer name" and other useful information for records.
It is very useful for future use when you set up all possible environments such as selecting a device, loading a file, and setting other configurations for programming jobs. A job description can be saved as a file name and the same project environment will be ready once you load the same project name.
File Name: A file name can be entered with the 3 letter extension ".prj."
Author: An engineer's name [whom creates this project].
Description: A job explanation that you memorize for your future usage. A device number, File name, and checksum number can be entered in the note pad. Other programming menu descriptions, such as configurations can be described.

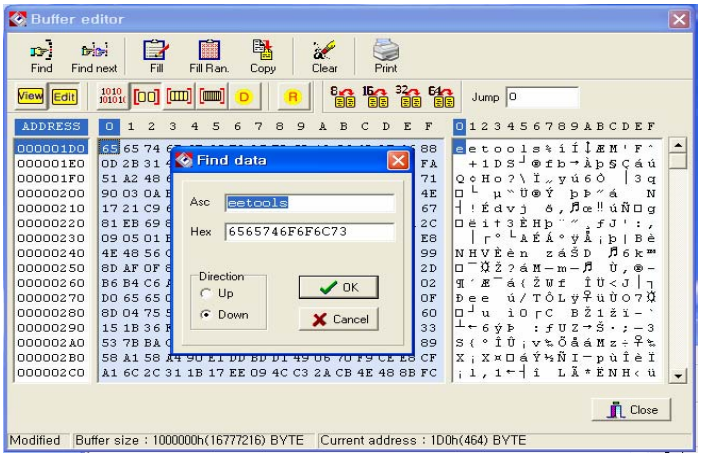
Buffer

Buffer / Edit Buffer

This command allows the user to examine and modify the contents of the memory buffer. This section applies to a non-JEDEC file (PROM, EPROM, EEPROM, and Microcontroller) or to a memory chip. If a PLD is being loaded, see the (vector pattern edit) section. The data is presented in HEX and ASCII formats.

Find

This feature allows you to search the data (ASCII and HEX) in the current



Asc : The data looking for ASCII value.
HEX : The data looking for HEX value.
Direction UP : The data searching from previous address than the current location.
Direction DOWN: The data searching from higher address than the current location.
If you would like to find more data, click on the **Find Next** button.

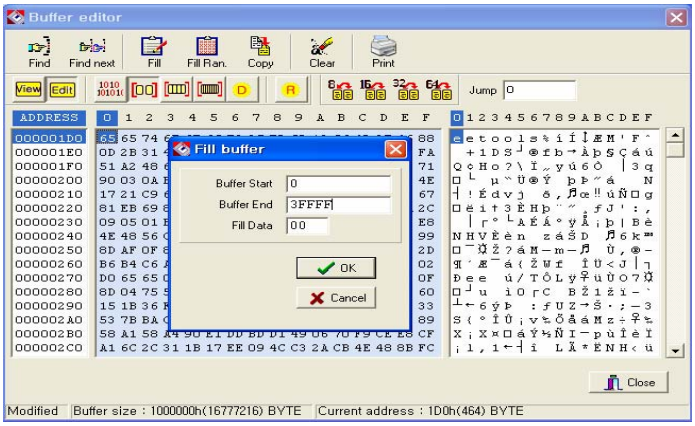
Find Next

Press the **Find Next** button to locate the rest of the data that you entered in the **FIND** box. The error "Search Pattern not Found" will be accursed when you press this button without entering data in the **FIND** text box.

Fill Buffer

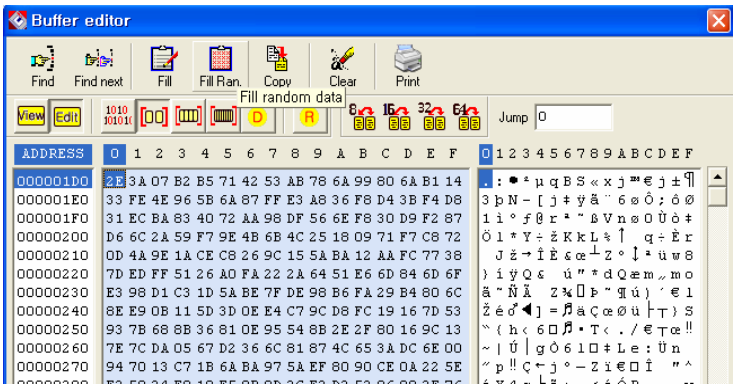
You can enter a certain character(data) in a certain buffer location.
Buffer Start: Starting address for the data to be filled in buffer.
Buffer End: Ending address for the data to be filled in buffer.

Fill Data: Two digits of HEX value to be filled between Start and End buffer.



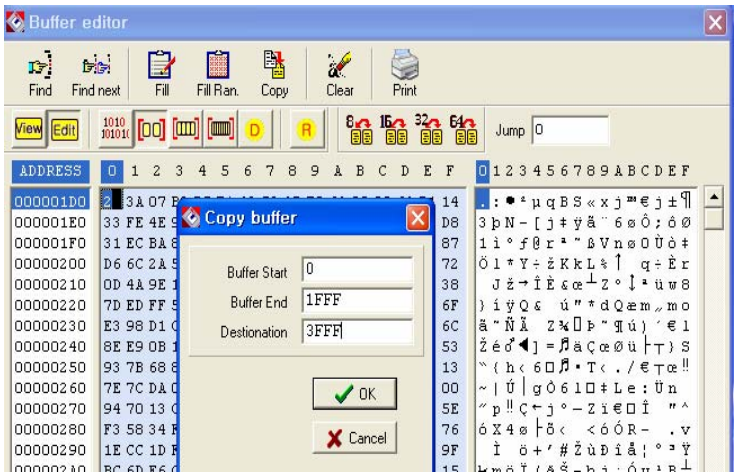
Fill random data

Once you click this button, a random data stream will be filled in the entire. This will be useful before programming a device with full buffer data.



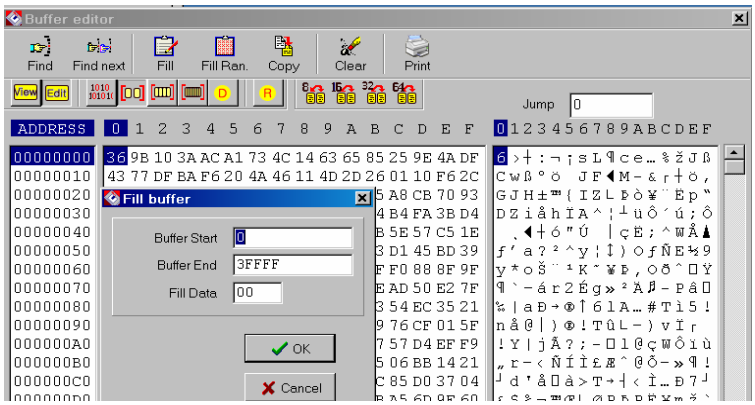
Copy buffer

Copy certain data between 2 address to other location in the same buffer.



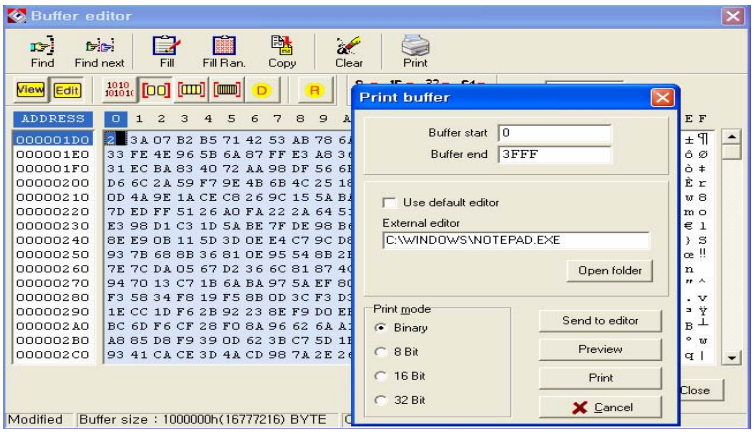
Fill Buffer

Enter certain data between 2 different buffer locations.



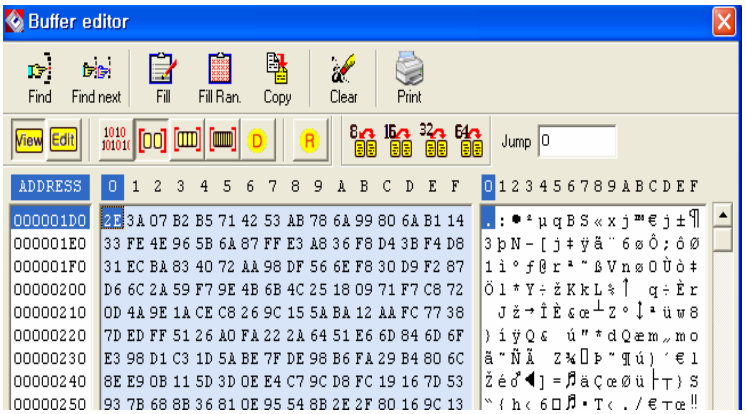
Print buffer

The current buffer data can be printer in different formats. Also, you can review buffer data with an editor in an utility software..



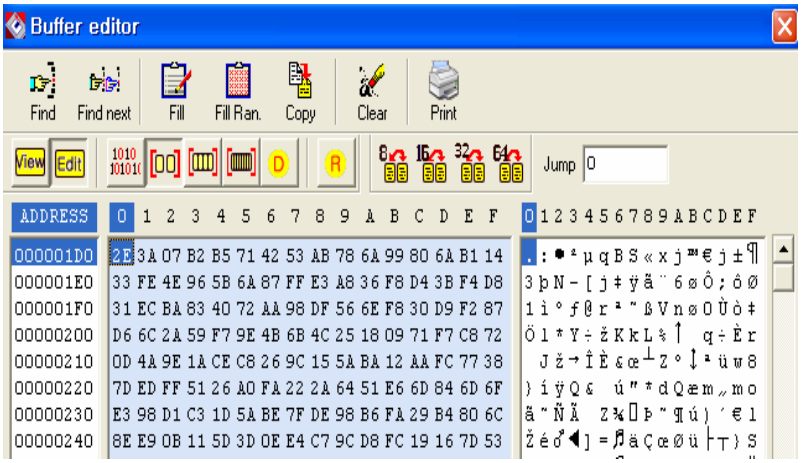
Set editor to view mode

This mode allows you not to modify data in the buffer.



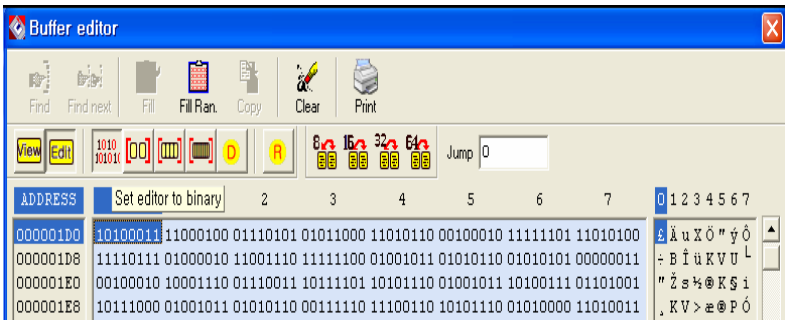
Set editor to edit mode

This mode allows you to modify data in the buffer.



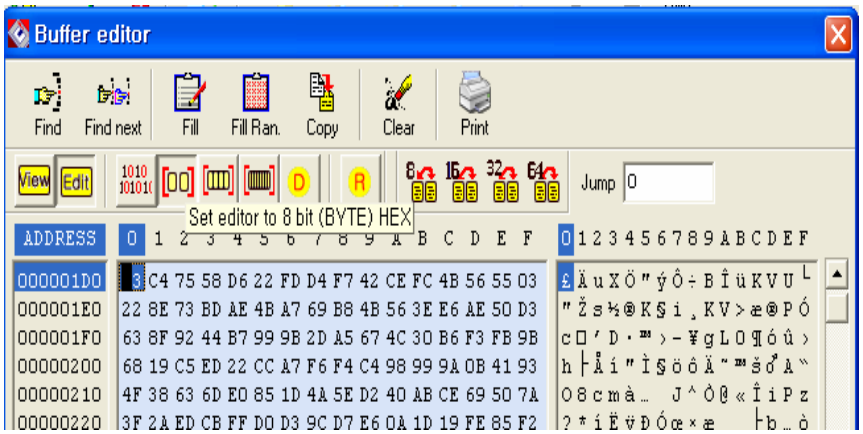
Set Editor to binary mode

The data in current buffer will be changed as binary mode.



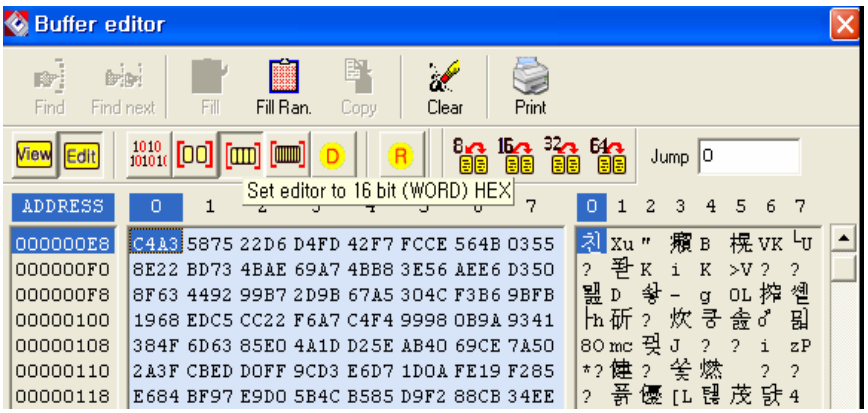
Set editor to 8 bit(byte) Hex

The data in current buffer will be changed as 8-bit hex value.



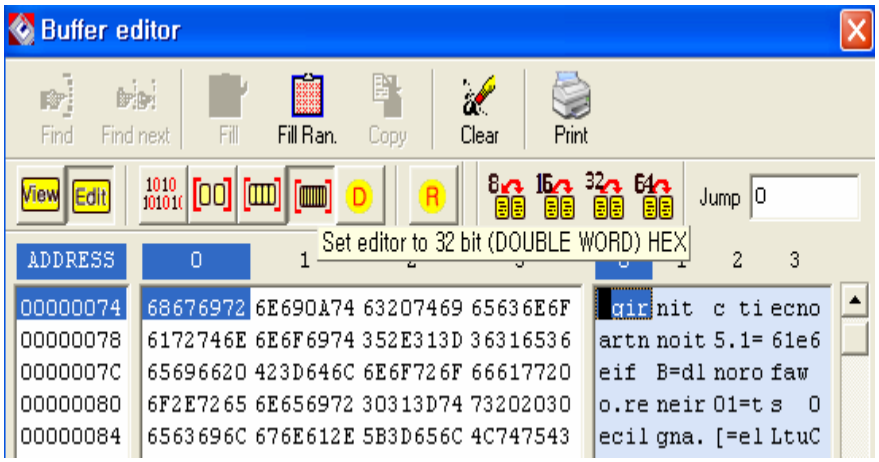
Set editor to 16 bit(word) Hex

The data in current buffer will be changed as 16-bit hex value.



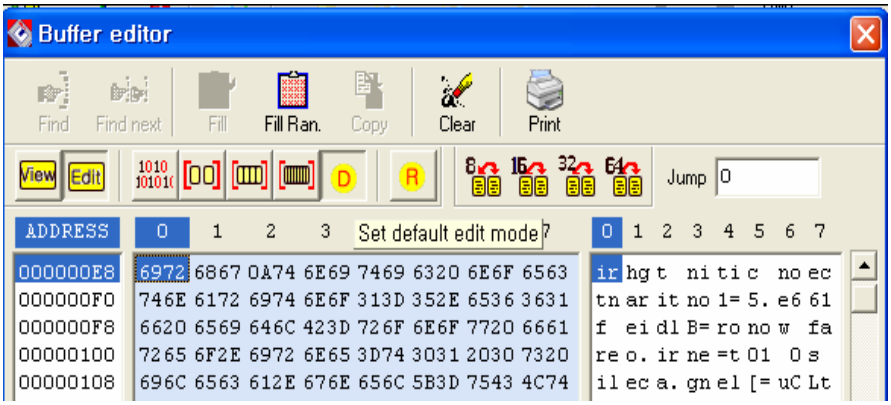
Set editor to 32 bit(double word) Hex

The data in current buffer will be changed as 32-bit mode.



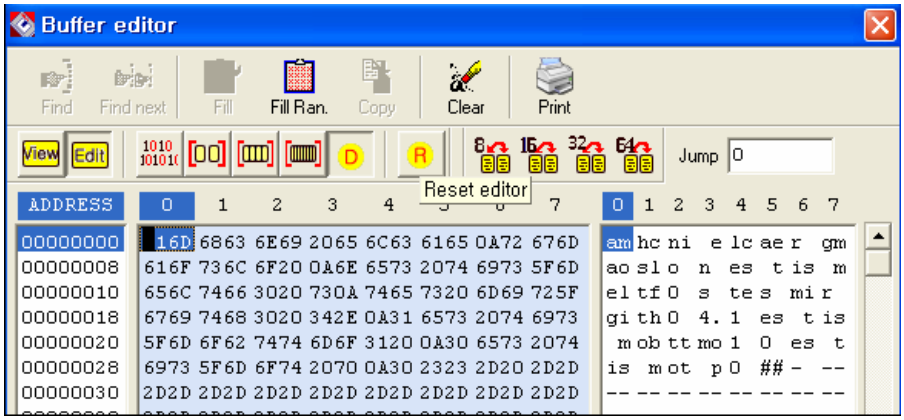
Set default editor mode

Make the current buffer mode as same data size as the selected device in the current operation. It could be 8 or 16-bit depends on the device selection.



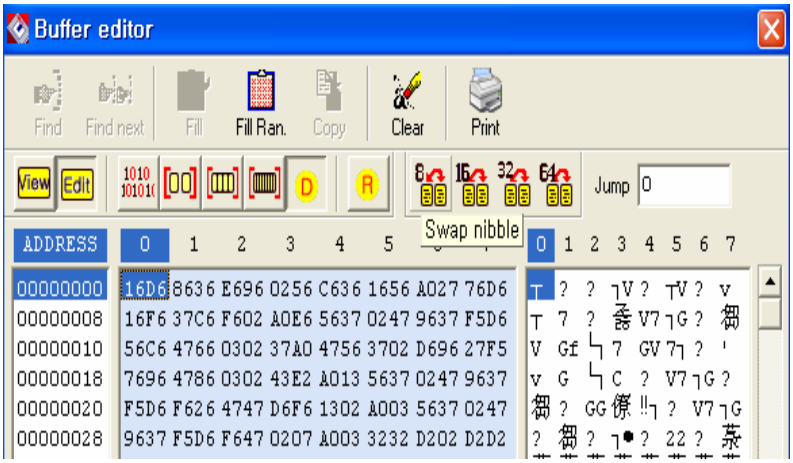
Set default Reset Editor

The cursor mode will be the first data in address 0..



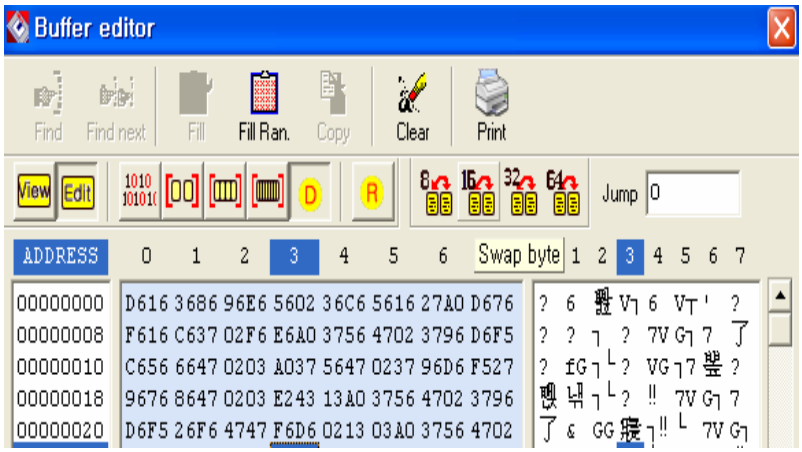
Swap nibble

Swap each character(nibble) in 8-bit(1 byte) block.



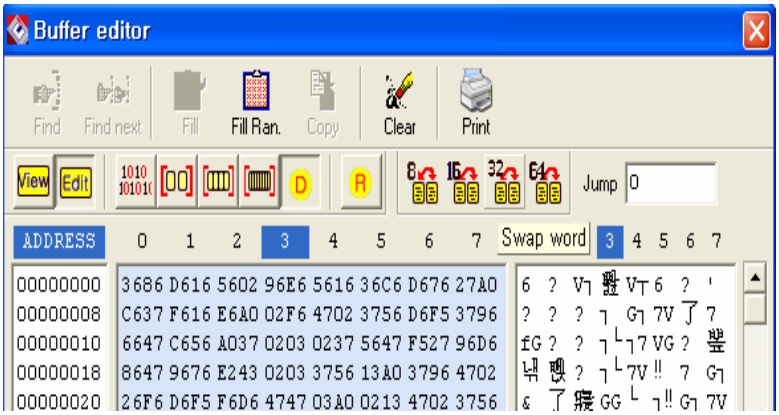
Swap byte

Swap each 8-bit(1-byte) data in each 16-bit(4-byte) block.



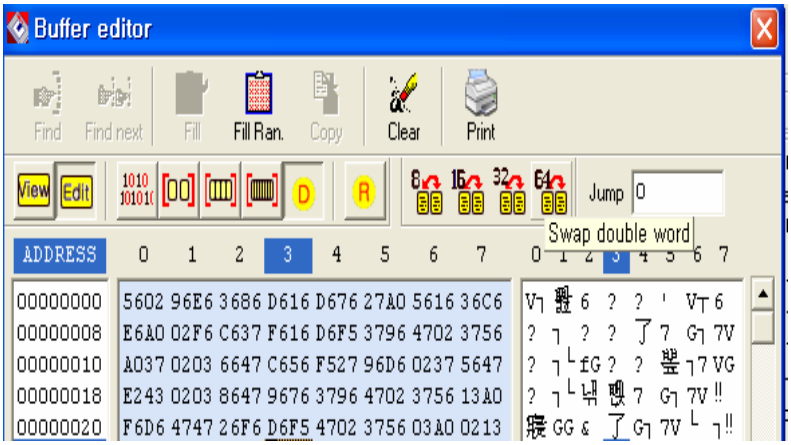
Swap Word

Swap each 16-bit(2-byte) data in each 32-bit(4-byte) block.



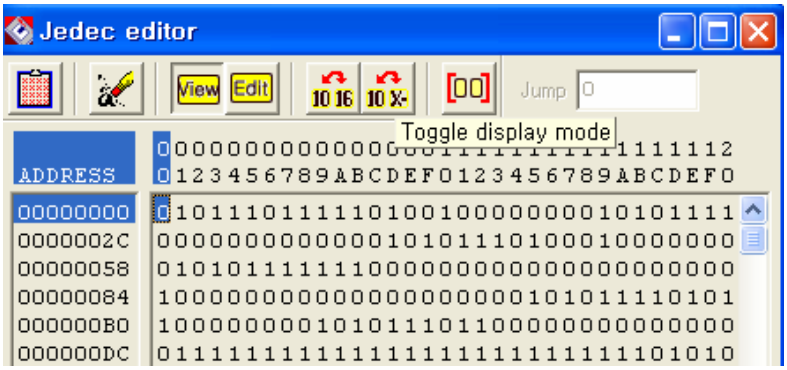
Swap double word

Swap each 32-bit(4-byte) data in each 64-bit(8-byte) block.

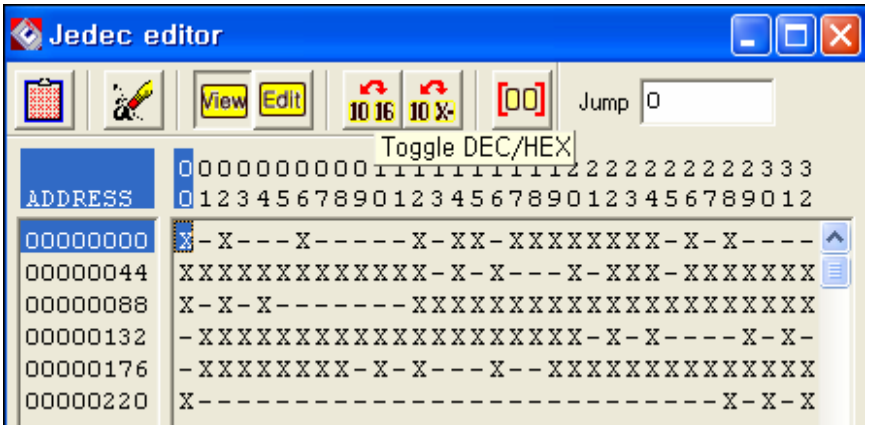


Jedec editor

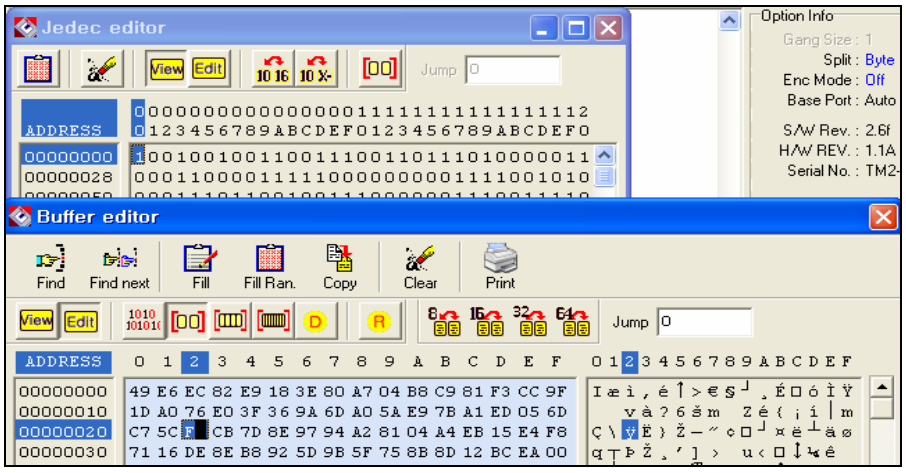
This buffer mode allows you to retrieve and modify data for PLD devices.



The data can be displayed in two different mode(unused-bit "0" or "X", used-bit "1"or " –".)



In the Jedec editor mode, you can still use all features in Buffer Edit Mode.



Clear

Pressing this button allows you to fill the buffer with the data located in "Default Buffer Value" in Config Option Menu.

Close

Press to exit the HEX Editor.

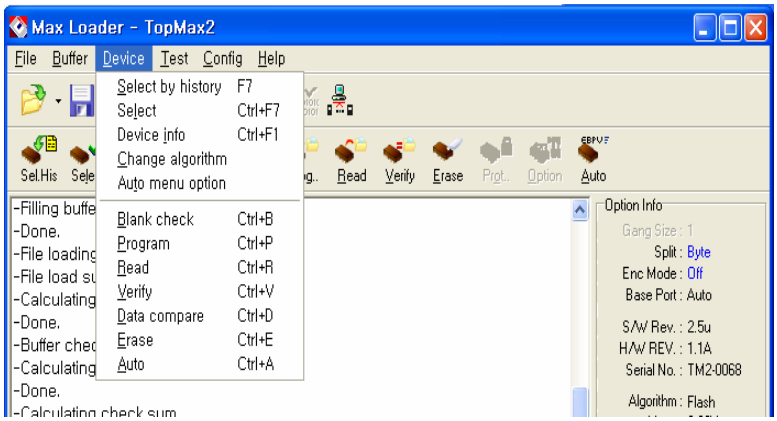
Buffer / Edit UES

The UES Edit command creates or changes the User's Electronic Signature (UES) array in GAL device. Each GAL device contains an electronic signature word consisting of 64 bits of reprogrammable memory. The electronic signature word can be programmed to contain any identification information desired by the user. Some uses include pattern identification labels, version numbers, dates, inventory control information, etc. These features give the user the ability to view and edit the UES data before programming a GAL device.
When the UES edit command is invoked, an editing data window appears. If the data fields are empty, you may create a new UES. You can enter the UES up to eight characters in the HEX or ASCII data area. If you see any data from the current UES window, it means the UES has been created and that you can modify the data for a different reason. The UES data is not secured when you execute the Function / Security command.

Device

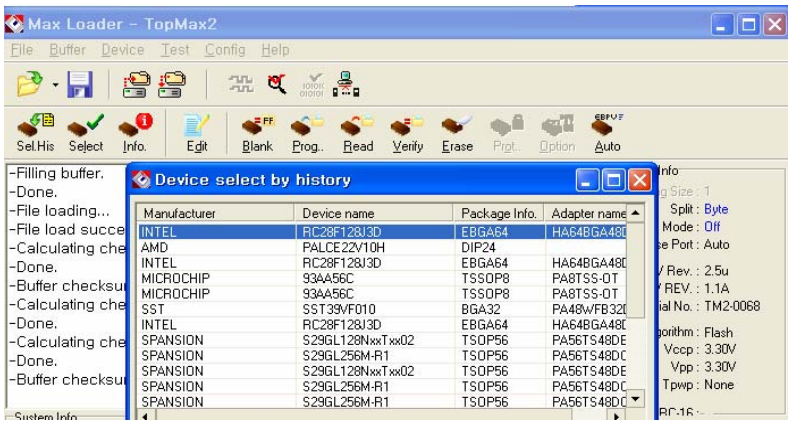
This section presents the main operation menu for the target device that is mounted on the ZIF socket. In order to process the following commands, make sure that the device is correctly inserted into the ZIF socket and the latch is down.

***NOTE**: The Device Information display area presents the device information of the selected device.*

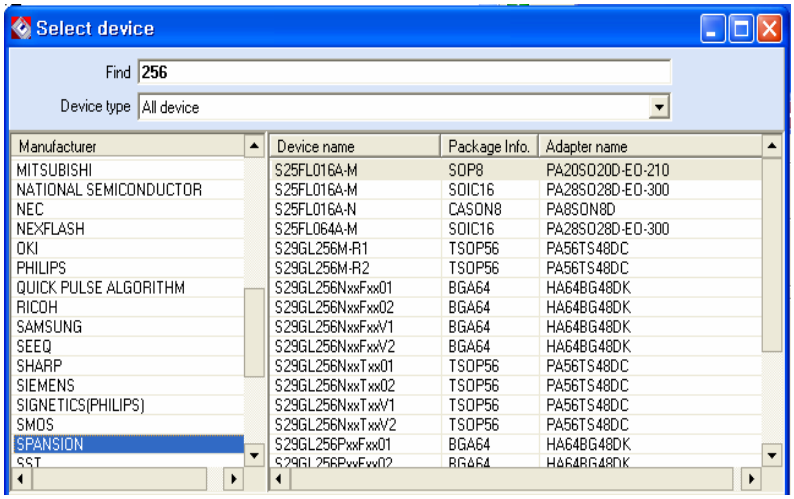


Select / Device select by history

Pressing this button allows you to review all devices that have selected before. You don't have to select the same data again and just select from this menu.



Select



During operation, the first step is usually to select a device. This Select command enables the user to define the manufacturer and the type of the device that will be used. After you select a device, you can insert a device into the programmer's device socket and conduct various device operations such as programming and verifying device data or reading data from the device. The Select command contains both manual and automatic methods for selecting a device. If your device is not identified by the Auto Device Select menu, you can select the device list displayed in the Manufacturer & Device list. Scroll through the manufacturers and device numbers until you find the manufacturer and device you are looking for. You can use wildcards to help you "zoom" on the device you are looking for.

***NOTE**: PAL Device Logic Symbols: The logic symbols for each of the individual PAL device gives a concise functional description of the PAL device*

logic function. This symbol makes a convenient reference when selecting the PAL device that best fits a specific application

- Select / E(E)PROM, FLASH

All EPROMs (27xxx), EEPROMs (28Cxxx, 29Cxxx), Serial E(E)PROMs (17xxx, 24xxx, 32xxx, 33xxx, 35xxx, 59xxx), and Flash EPROM (28Fxxx, 29Fxxx, 29LVxxx, 29BVxxx, 29Wxxx, 49Fxxx) of 24/28/32/40/42 and up to 48 pins (1 Mbit, 2Mbit, 4Mbit, 8Mbit,16Mbit, 32Mbit, and up).

- Select / PLD

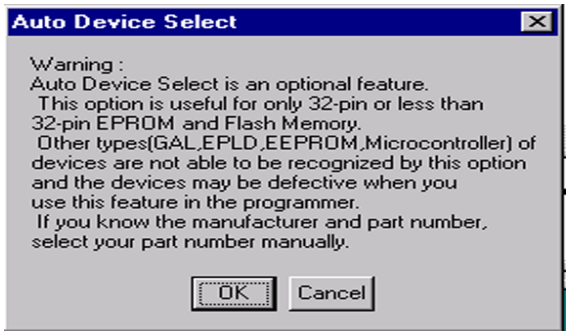
EPLD, EEPLD, FPL, PEEL, GAL, MAX, MACH, PLS, PLD, PLC, PLUS, EPM, ATFxxx, ATVxxxx, EPxxx, EPCxxx, 5Cxxx, 85Cxxx.

- Select / Microcontroller

Intel 87xx, Phillips 87C75x, SGS-Thomson ST62xx, Atmel AT89Cxx, 89Sxx, 89LVxx, Microchip PIC12/16/17, Motorola MC60705xx, MC68HC711xx/705xx/908xx; Zilog Z86Exx; NEC 8749H.

- Select / PROM

AMD 27Sxx, Cypress CY7Cxxx, Fujitsu MB71xx, Fairchild 63Sxx, NS 74Sxxx, Phillips 82Sxxx, WSI 57Cxx.

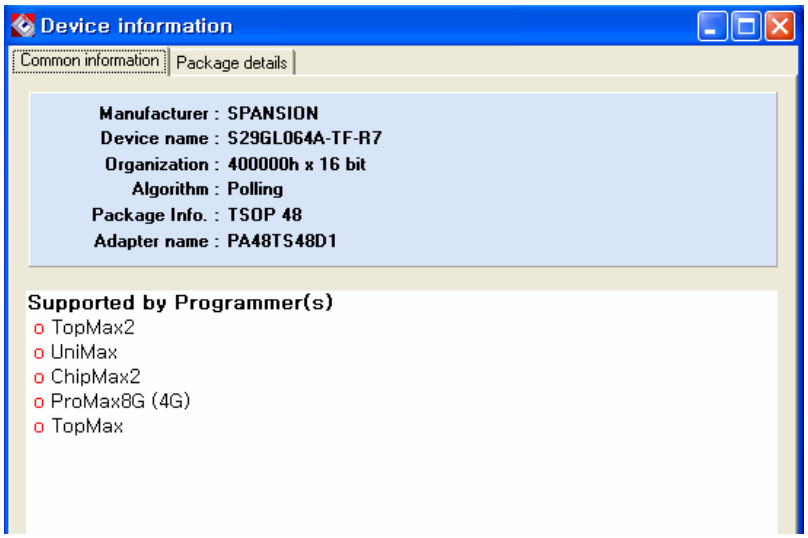

Auto Device Select
Warning :
Auto Device Select is an optional feature.
This option is useful for only 32-pin or less than 32-pin EPROM and Flash Memory.
Other types(GAL,EPLD,EEPROM,Microcontroller) of devices are not able to be recognized by this option and the devices may be defective when you use this feature in the programmer.
If you know the manufacturer and part number, select your part number manually.
OK
Cancel

Select / Auto Select

Identify the device that is mounted on the ZIF socket. This feature can only be applied to Memory and some Microcontroller devices. Clicking the Auto Select button will enable the programmer to identify the ID on the device and will select the matching device in the library automatically.

***NOTE**: If you have a "Device not found" message, select the device manually. If you have old devices or defective devices, TopMax will not be able to recognize the ID code from your device.*

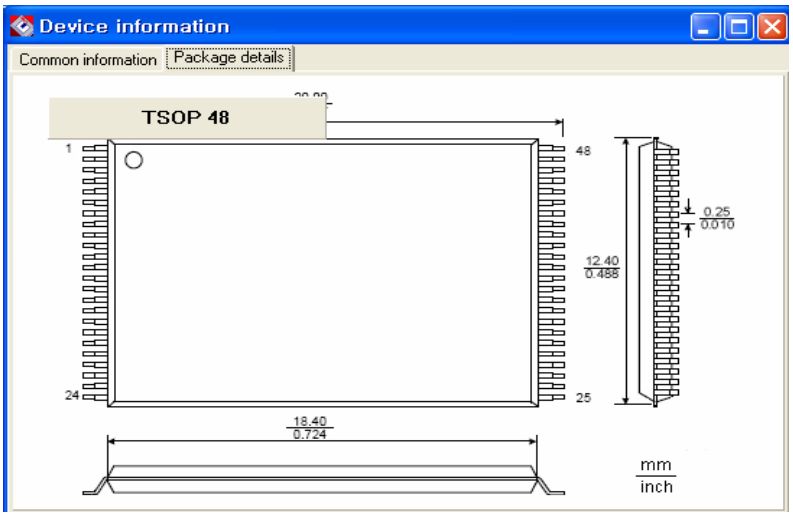
Select / Device information



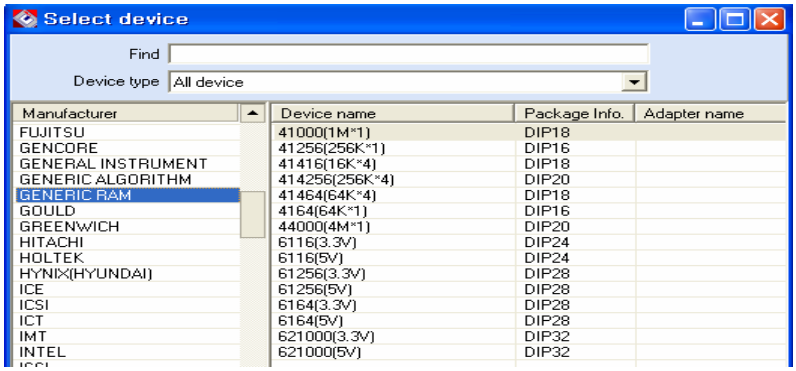
Pressing this button allows you to review the target device information before selecting a device.

Select / Device information / Package details

Pressing this button allows you to review package information for a target device before selecting a device.



Test / RAM Test



TopMax, TopMaxII provide an additional memory test function. This operation tests static and dynamic RAM memory chips. The following memories are tested:

DRAM types tested

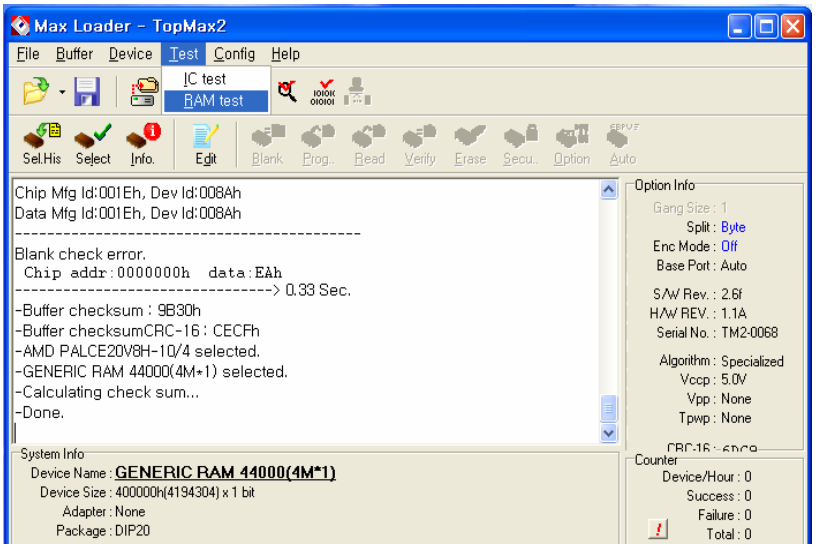
- 16K*4, 64K*1, 64K*4, 256K*1, 256K*4, 1M*1

SRAM type tested

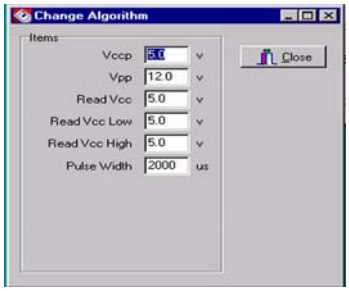
- 2K*8, 8K*8, 32K*8, 128K*8

After inserting a memory device into the ZIF socket, select the memory type from the device select "GENERIC RAM" selection screen and click on the **RAM test** button.in the test menu.

The program will test each address of the memory. A "Defective memory" message will be displayed with a current address if the memory has a defective bit. "Good memory" will appear when the test has passed successfully.



Device / Change Algorithm



Users are provided with an option of changing the programming parameters of most devices. Once you select the "Change Algorithm" option under the DEVICE menu, the user will be presented with a list of device specific programming parameters, such as Vccp, Vpp, Read Vcc, Verify Vcc Low, Verify Vcc High, Pulse Width, Over Pulse Width, Over Pulse Mul, and Retry number. Each of these parameters can be selected and edited individually by changing the existing numbers in the parameter box and pressing the close button. The user will then be prompted to enter the new value for that parameter.

***CAUTION**: Please note that before deciding to modify any programming parameter, the user must consult the manufacturer programming specification for that device. E.E. Tools will not be responsible for any damages caused by any unauthorized modified programming parameters. Any changes in programming parameters are temporary and the original parameter's value will be restored once the operation on that device is complete. However, the user can store the modified programming parameter for a particular device by using Macro command.*

Device / Blank Check

The Blank Check function is used to verify whether or not a device is in an erased or unprogrammed state.
All EPROM (Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory) devices should be checked before programming. EEPROM (Electrical Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory) based parts do not need this command because EEPROM's are erased automatically before programming.
PLD based parts are checked by verifying all of the fuses that are intact. Any erased PLD's should pass this test.

***NOTE**: Erasing EPROMs. In order to clear data in an EPROM, the chip should be exposed to a short wave UV (Ultra violet) light. Most erasers require between 5 and 30 minutes erasing an EPROM. Some types of chips take longer to erase than others. An EPROM based part (a PLD or Microcontroller) with a security bit feature is designed so that the security address is typically the last bit to be erased. If the window of a chip is not clear, try cleaning the window with alcohol or a solvent. Erase chips if the chips are exposed to sunlight and fluorescent light for months or years; your chips can be erased. You should cover the window of the programmed chips with an opaque label to make the data permanent. Some EPROM based parts can't be erased because they do not have a window. These chips are called one time programmable (OTP) EPROMs.*

An EPROM has a quartz window located on the chip just above the die. An EPROM is erased by exposing it to high-frequency ultra-violet light waves. Erasing an EPROM usually takes from 15-20 minutes, but may be shorter or longer, depending on the device. Many manufacturers make EPROM erasers. If you wish to purchase an eraser, call E.E.TOOLS at 408-263-2221, sales@eetools.com. When an EPROM is not being erased, the window may be covered with an opaque label. Sometimes (over a period of years) an EPROM

will start to erase due to the level fluorescent light in the room. Direct exposure to sunlight also has this effect and happens much more rapidly and commonly.

***NOTE**: In order to decide if the device is blank, the user should read the target device. If the buffer is filled with all FFs or 00s, the device is most likely in an erased or unprogrammed state; otherwise, the device is not erased.*

***CAUTION**: Some devices such as Philips P98C52 can pass the BLANK CHECK routine after they are secured even though they are not blank.*

Device / Program

Program command will enable you to place new data from the memory buffer into the target device. The BUSY GREEN led will be blinking during programming. Make sure the device is correctly inserted into the ZIF socket and the latch is down. Then check the buffer device address range before you start. The values will default to the size of the device.

***NOTE**: <MOTOROLA MICROCONTROLLERS>*

The window of windowed devices must be covered with an opaque label during operation at all times.

***NOTE:** For all DEVICE/FUNCTION operations, the ERROR YELLOW LED, located at the bottom of the ZIF socket is used to indicate the status of the complete operation. It will turn on if an error has occurred; otherwise it will remain off.*

- **Memory device**

The target device must be blank checked unless the part is electrically erasable. Although most of EEPROMs and Flash Memory devices have the ERASE function in the menu, some EEPROMs such as AT28CXXX or AT29CXXX

don't have the ERASE function. Note that EEPROMs without the ERASE function are automatically erased before programming.

- **Programmable Logic Device operation**

After programming is complete, verification should be performed according to the semiconductor manufacturer's specifications. In order to test vectors, a vector test should be performed (See vector test under the TEST menu). Finally, the part may be secured so that its content can no longer be examined or modified. The security function will not execute if the device fails to verify or pass the vector test properly.

- **28C256, 28C010, etc.**

28CXXX family devices support Software Data Protection. The user has an option of either protecting or not protecting the data. This option must be changed before the start of any programming operation. To change this option, go to the Option selection under DEVICE/FUNCTION menu and make any changes accordingly. To obtain more information about Software Data Protection, please consult the device manufacturer's specification.

- **Microchip PIC devices**

Microchip PIC series is different from other Microcontrollers in that they have an EPROM area as well as a CONFIGURATION FUSE. The configuration fuse in the PIC family is used to setup **Oscillator Type, Memory Code Protection, Watchdog Timer, or Processor Mode,** and etc. After programming the EPROM portion, change the fuses of the items listed under **Option**. Then you must program the configuration option in the **Option** menu.

Perform the following procedure:

1. Program the main memory
2. Click on the OPTION button
3. Set all of the configuration fuse in OPTION menu
4. Click on the Program configuration fuses button

You may also read the status of the Configuration Fuse under the OPTION selection. In order to obtain more information about programming the

configuration fuse, contact Microchip technology at 602-786-7200 or consult the appropriate data book.

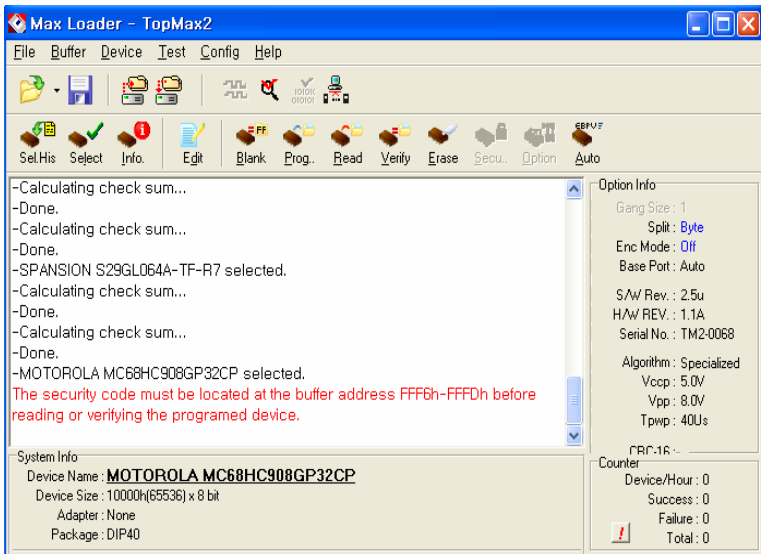
Copy from a master chip to a new chip

1. Select the master device from select menu in Microcontroller.
2. Put the chip on the ZIF socket.
3. Click on the **Device** button and read the chip.
4. Click on the **Option** button and read the fuses.
5. Write down all of the option fuses [the memory protect must be disabled] in order to copy the information from your master chip.
6. Place a new chip. It must be the same chip as the master chip.
7. The buffer still holds your master data and **the memory portion.**
8. Click on **Option** again and set all the fuses that you wrote.
9. (To change the option, use the arrow button in the selection box.)
10. In the same **Option** menu, Click on the **program configuration fuses**, read and compare the fuses with your original device.

***CAUTION**: The **PIC16C711**, will be used as an OTP (one time programmable) chip when you erase the secured device. You cannot reuse the chip after erasing it, even though the PIC16C711 is an erasable device.*

- **MOTOROLA MC68HC908 devices**

This device will require a security code in certain memory location when you program a new device along with data and users must remember the security data once read(copy)or verify the master device for duplication.



- **Serial EEPROMs**

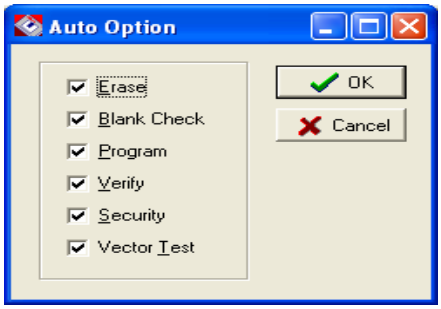
These devices are electrically erasable, but they operate serially rather than parallel.

- **Atmel or Xilinx 17xxx**

You need to set the POLARITY FUSE with this family via the Option menu. After programming the main MEMORY, go to the OPTION menu and make the appropriate change. On OTP (One Time Programmable) devices, the POLARITY FUSE status cannot be reversed once it has been changed. Even on some of the windowed 7xxx family devices (excluding Xilinx 17xxD/L & 17128), the POLARITY FUSE cannot be toggled. Consult the device manufacturer for further instructions on how to handle the Polarity FUSE.

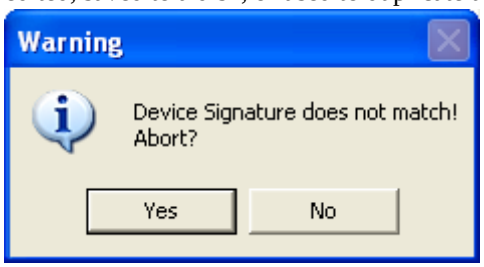
***CAUTION**: Do not touch or remove a device during an operation when the BUSY green led is on.*

Auto Menu Option



Device / Read

Read the data in the source device mounted on the ZIF socket into the buffer for examination.
The checksum will be displayed on the checksum line. The buffer may be edited, saved to a disk, or used to duplicate the chip.



***CAUTION**: Reading the device into the buffer destroys the buffer contents through the specified range. Make sure everything in the buffer that is needed has been saved.*

PLD test vectors are not stored in a logic device; therefore, they cannot be read. The test vector buffer will be empty after reading the PLD.

***NOTE**: Devices that have been secured cannot be read properly. Secured chips may appear all blank, fully programmed, or scrambled.*

Device / Verify

Assure that data in the device matches data in the memory buffer. If your device has the security fuse blown, a verification error is detected. The verify operation requires that the exact data pattern or file that was used to program the device be resident in the memory buffer.

Device / Data Compare

Compares the data in device to the data in buffer and saves any difference into the COMPARE.TXT file. When you have a verify error during the ***Verify*** operation, the ***Data Compare*** command will be useful. It will detect a difference between the device content and the buffer content and will write the difference into the COMPARE.TXT file under the Maxloader (TopMax/TopMax 8Gang/ChipMax) directory. You may view the file using edited utility software.

Device / Erase

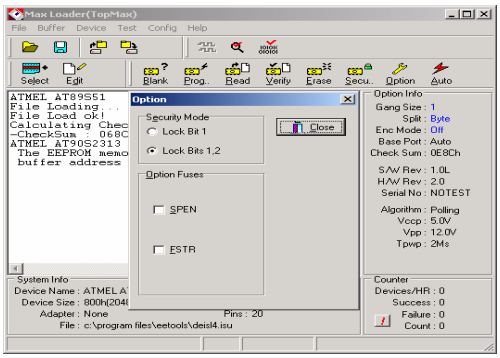
This option erases the data in your socket before programming it. This operation is valid for only limited devices such as EEPROM, Flash Memory, GAL, PEEL devices. EPROMs that have a window should be erased by UV EPROM erasers externally (see NOTE "Erasing EPROMs" in this manual).

Device / Security

Secure a PLD or Microcontroller so that their content can no longer be examined or modified. Security is confirmed when valid data can no longer be read or verified against a previously read pattern. To ensure that the security

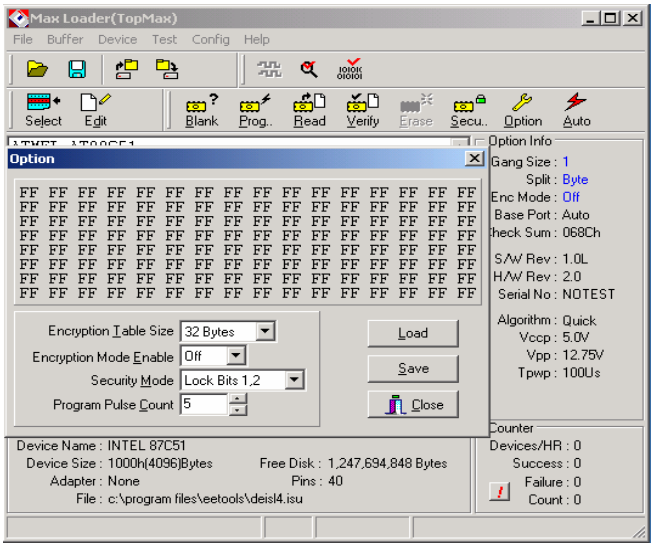
fuse has been blown, the ***Security*** operation is preceded by a "read" of the device and followed by a "verify."

NOTE*: Usually, on a UV erasable PLD or a Microcontroller, a secured device may take longer to erase because the security bit address is designed to erase last.*



NOTE*: When you click on OPTION, device security mode and option fuses will be available for certain manufacture devices. Selecting these options, programmer will program your device with the checked options continuously. It is a useful feature for users who like to program devices in volume quantities. The user does not have to set the fuses or security modes for every programming.*

CAUTION*: Some devices, such as Philips P89C52, can pass the BLANK CHECK routine after they are secured. Securing a device separates the programmed data pattern from unauthorized access. This command appears only when the selected device supports it. Some Microcontroller's and PLDs can be secured by programming a special address location. The security bit will be cleared when the device is erased. Once a device is secured, it cannot be unsecured to read, verify, or duplicate. Also the secured device is seen as a blank chip even though it is not actually blank.*



Device / Encryption

The encryption table is a feature of the 87C51/87C52 family Microcontroller devices. The Encryption array of the Microcontroller is initially unprogrammed (all '1's). In order to protect the code from being easily read by anyone other than the programmer, this feature allows you to program the encryption table that is exclusive NORead with the program code data as it is read out. You have to know its content in order to correctly decode the program code data. Thereafter you will have to use the same displayed encryption array any time you need to read back the device.

Device / Option

① Device/Option /Customer ID

The user can store checksum or other code-identification numbers.

② *Device/Option / Oscillator*

Most PIC device family's can be operated in four different oscillator modes. The user can choose one of the following modes from the factory.

LP: Low Power Crystal

XT: Crystal/Resonator

HS: High Speed Crystal/Resonator

RC: Resistor/Capacitor

③ *Device/Option / WATCHDOG TIMER (WDT)*

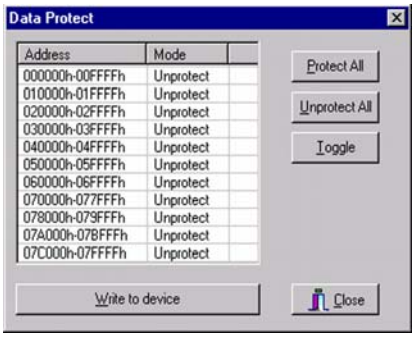
WDT is a configuration bit of special features for PIC device family's.

④ *Device/Option / POWER-UP TIMER*

This is a special feature for the PIC device family.

⑤ *Device/Option / Memory Protect*

This configuration fuse can be used to protect against spurious EEPROM writes.



⑥ Device/Option / Data Protect

This feature may be enabled or disabled by the user; when shipped from an IC manufacturer, the Data Protect feature is disabled.

Devices have "Software Data Protection (SDP)" : Provides software features to protect nonvolatile data from in advertent writes.

Disable: The SDP command will not protect the entire memory array.

Enable: The SDP command will protect the entire memory array.

Certain Flash device has "Sector Protection"

Protect All: By pressing the Protect All, no data will be erased or written into the device. You can still read data from the device. The block(s) doesn't allow the device to be erased or programmed

Unprotect : The selected block(s) allows the device to be erased or programmed.

Toggle: Change the block status in reverse.

Write Device: The selected block status will be written in the device.

Close: Exit to main menu.

⑦ Device/Option / Reset Polarity

Reset Polarity (for Xilinx FPGA): The Polarity Fuse is ACTIVE HIGH when shipped from an IC manufacturer. To change the polarity, click on the Option button and check on the Reset bit box before programming your device. Once it changes to ACTIVE LOW, it may not reset the ACTIVE LOW fuse to ACTIVE HIGH. On OTP (One Time Programmable) devices, the POLARITY FUSE status cannot be reversed once it has been changed. Even on some of the windowed 7xxx family devices (excluding Xilinx 17xxD/L & 17128), the POLARITY FUSE cannot be toggled. Consult the device manufacturer for further instructions on how to handle the Polarity FUSE.

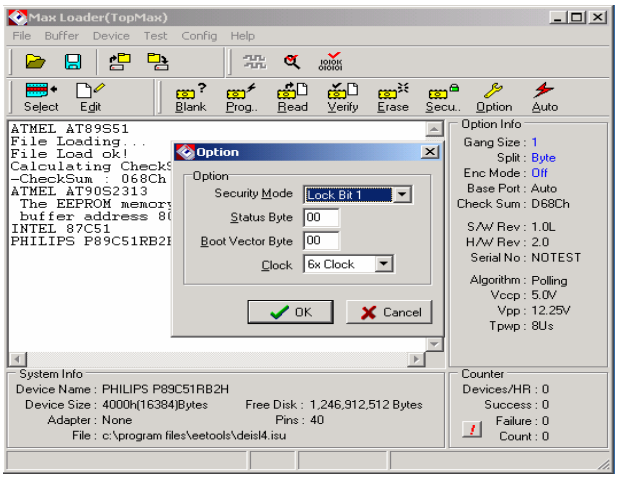
⑧ Device/Option / Drown Out

This is a special feature for the PIC device family.

⑨ *Device/Option / MCLR*
This is a special feature for the PIC device family.
⑩ *Device/Option / Memory Parity*
This is a special feature for the PIC device family.
⑪ Device/Option / Low Voltage PGM
This is a special feature for the PIC device family.
⑫ *Device/Option / FLASH Write Enable*
This is a special feature for the PIC device family.
⑬ *Device/Option / Background DBG*
This is a special feature for the PIC device family.
⑭ *Device/Option / Brownout Voltage*
This is a special feature for the PIC device family.

***NOTE**: All the Options above are described in the device manufacturer's data book. Make sure that you understand all configuration features before setting the configuration fuses.*

⑮ *Option Item/Read Current Configuration Fuses*
In order to have the information of all configuration fuses, press this button and you can see all configuration data of the current device. Be sure that you remember all the fuse's information if you want to copy the configuration information
⑯ *Option Item/Program Current Configuration Fuses*
Pressing this button will store all configuration fuse's information in the current device located in the programmer socket.



⑰ *Device/Option/Read Status Byte or Boot Vector*

In order to have the information of option bits, press this button and you can see all option lock bit data of the current device. Be sure that you remember all the fuse's information if you want to copy the configuration information.

⑱ *Device/Option/Program Status Byte or Boot Vector*

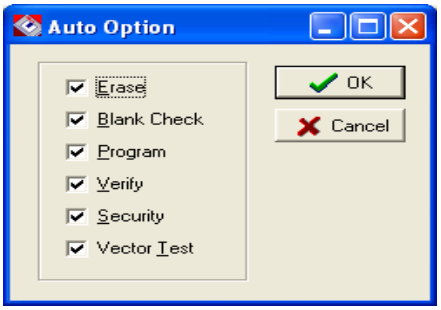
Pressing this button will store all lock bit information in the current device located in the programmer socket.

⑲ *Device/Option/Initialize Device*

Initialize function erases the whole memory array, security lock bits, and status byte and boot vector into their initial erased state. Press this button before erasing all 89Cxx family manufactured by Philips.

Device / Auto

Auto command will enable you to do the following command steam sequentially and it is useful to program a volume quantity devices with the same data.



***CAUTION**: Some devices such as Philips P98C52 can pass the BLANK CHECK routine after they are secured without being blank. Securing a device prevents the programmed data pattern into the device from unauthorized access. This command appears only when the selected device supports it. Some Microcontrollers and PLDs can be secured by programming a special address location. The security bit will be cleared when the device is erased. Once a device is secured, it cannot be unsecured to read, verify, or duplicate. Also the secured device is seen as a blank chip even though it is not actually blank.*

Test (These functions are only for TopMax, TopMaxII, UniMax)

Test / Vector Test

Verifies that the PLD (PAL, GAL EPLD, etc.) currently behaves without having to prototype a circuit. In order to perform test vectors, test vectors should be in the JEDEC file when the file is loaded. Most PLD development software will generate valid test vectors automatically. Test vectors may be examined and modified with **Vector Pattern Edit/^F6** command in the buffer menu screen.

***NOTE**: Due to hardware's limitation, Vector Test is only implemented on 24-pin or less devices.*

During the vector test, TopMax applies high and low signals to the input pins of a tested PLD and observes signals at the output pins. The output results are compared to the expected results from the test vectors. Any difference will show up as an error message.

The following are valid characters for test vectors:

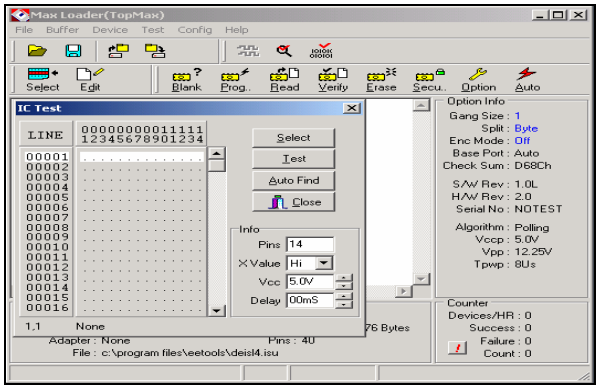
0	Apply input logic low (Vil) to an input pin
1	Apply input logic high (Vih) to an input pin
C	Clock an input pin (Vil, Vih, Vil)
F	Float pin
N	Power pin or untested output pin
V	VCC pin
X	Don't care: output values are not tested
G	GND pin
K	Clock an inverted input pin (Vih, Vil, Vih)
H	Expected result on output pin is Vih
L	Expected result on output pin is Vil
Z	Test for high impedance

Optional Operation

X value	Optional value of "don't care"
Vcc	Test Vcc value on Vcc pin
Delay	Test period of each vector in mill-second

Test / IC Test

This operation tests TTL or CMOS logic devices according to the test patterns stored in the test pattern library.
Click on the **Select** button and enter a device name and click on **Test** to begin the test function. A result message will be displayed after testing.



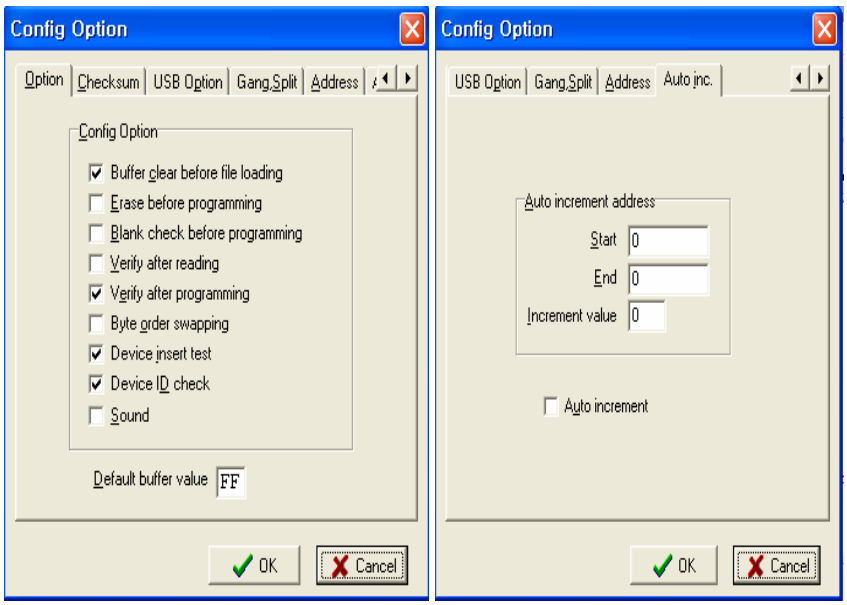
Config

Config / Select Product

After the Maxloader is installed, you can choose one of the programmer listed in Select product menu.

Make sure that you select a right model and turn on the switch (TopMax /, TopMaxII, ProMax-4/8G) or connect the AC cord (UniMax, ChipMax/ChipMax2**)**

Config / Config Option



Config Option / Buffer Clear Before File Loading

When loading a file into the buffer, executing the ENABLE option fills the buffer with the data that is defined in Default Buffer Value before the file is loaded into the buffer. When you load a file that is smaller than the current buffer size, the unfilled buffer will contain the Default Buffer Value so that you may examine the buffer data more conveniently. DISABLE option keeps the same data for the unfilled buffer area after Buffer Load command is executed.

***NOTE**: Buffer Clear means that the current buffer will be filled with the Default Buffer Value. It can be any data of Hexadecimal values such as FF, 00, or XX*

Config Option / Blank Check Before Programming

Enabling Blank Check Before Programming verifies whether the device is erased before programming. Disabling Auto Blank Check Before Programming prevents this check from occurring.

Config Option / Verify After Reading

Setting the configuration menu to ENABLE will allow you to verify whether the device data is the same as the data in your current buffer after reading the source device.

Config Option / verify after programming

Setting the option to ENABLE will allow you to verify whether the device data is the same as the one in your current buffer after programming a device.

Config Option / Byte order swapping

This option applies only to 16-bit wide (E)EPROMs or Flash Memory. User data is displayed in the buffer according to the Intel convention with the default value set at **Disable.** Enabling this option allows you to use data according to the Motorola convention during ***Program*** and ***Verify*** operations under the ***Device*** selection. However, the data in the buffer is not physically swapped.

When enabled, the MSB (Most Significant Byte) of data is located to EVEN addresses (0,2,4,...) and the LSB(Least Significant Byte) of data is located to ODD addresses(1,3,5,...).

For example, Byte swap is useful if an assembler creates a file in Intel format, in which the low byte is read before the high byte, but the file must be in Motorola format, in which the high byte is read before the low byte.

Sample data file (Motorola EXORmacs Format, Code 87):

S00B0000444154412049F4FF3

S1130000123456789ABCDEF001122334455667750

S9030000FC

Data file opened with format 87 and displayed in the editor (8-bit addressing mode):

CURSOR AT LOCATION: 00000000 8 BIT ADDRESSING

HEXADECIMAL ASCII

```
ADDRESS   -0 -1  -2  -3  -4  -5  -6  -7  -8  -9  -A  -B  -C -D -E -F   0123456789ABCDEF
 00000000   01 23 45 67 89 AB CD EF 00 11 22 33 44 55 66 77 .#Eg  .  .  ”3Duf  w
 00000010   00 00 00 00 00  00  00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
```

Example #1: Programming one 16-bit device (Data word width = 16, Odd/even byte **swap = disabled**)

The user data is allocated as follows:

		Device MSB	LSB
Device Address:	0	23	01
	1	67	45
	2	AB	89
	3	EF	CD

Sample data file (Motorola EXORmacs Format, Code 87):

```
S00B0000444154412049F4FF3
S1130000123456789ABCDEF00112233445566775O
S9030000FC
```

Data file opened with format 87 and displayed in the editor (8-bit addressing mode):

```
CURSOR AT LOCATION: 00000000    8 BIT ADDRESSING
          HEXADECIMAL                                   ASCII
ADDRESS   -0 -1  -2  -3  -4  -5  -6   -7  -8 -9  -A  -B -C -D -E -F    0123456789ABCDEF
 00000000   01 23 45 67 89 AB CD EF 00 11 22 33 44 55 66 77 .#E.g. . . ”3DUf w
 00000010   00 00 00 00 00 00  00  00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
```

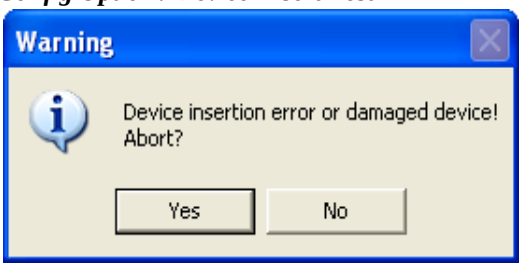
Example #2: Programming one 16-bit device (Data word width = 16, Odd/even byte **swap = Enabled**)

The user data is allocated as follows

		Device MSB	LSB
Device Address:	0	01	23

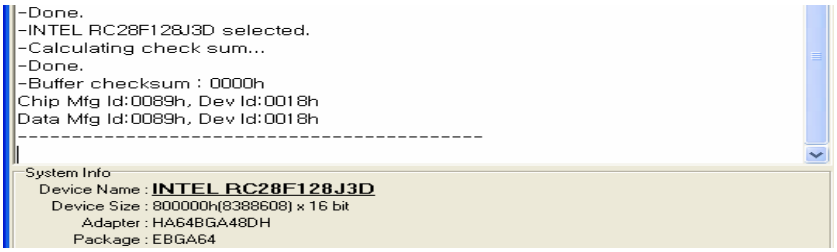
1	45	67
2	89	AB
3	CD	EF

Config Option / Device Insert Test



When enabled, this test will allow the Maxloader to first examine the physical position of a device as it is sitting in the programming socket when the user attempts to take any action to that device. Once it has finished examining, the Maxloader will prompt the user for corrective steps if needed depending upon the position of the device. Once you click on "Device Insert Test," Maxloader will display "Incorrect device ID" if your target device contains ID or if wrong device is placed inside the socket. You may see the same message if the device has been secured or if the device ID has been erased. Click on "Yes" if you want to ignore the manufacturer's device ID and proceed.

Config Option / Device ID Check



Check the device with both manufacturer and device part number before run any operation for the target device in the socket. If you program an EPROM,

you may allow to skip the device ID check routine when the device size and programming voltage between the EPROM in socket and the part in menu.

Config Option / Sound

A default sound comes when you need attention during programming time such as "blank check error," "program error," or "Verification error."

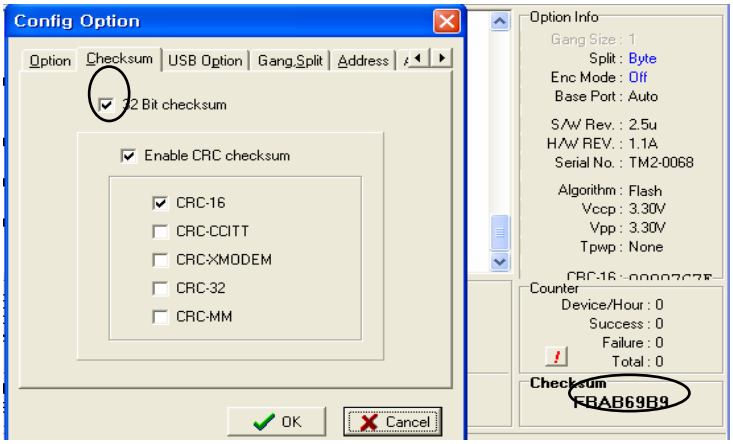
Config Option / Default Buffer Value

Fill the buffer value (hexadecimal) with the initial data that you type in this field. This feature helps the user who wants to have different initial values ('00' or 'FF') in the buffer. In most case, the default buffer value should be set up as "00" before loading a hex file.

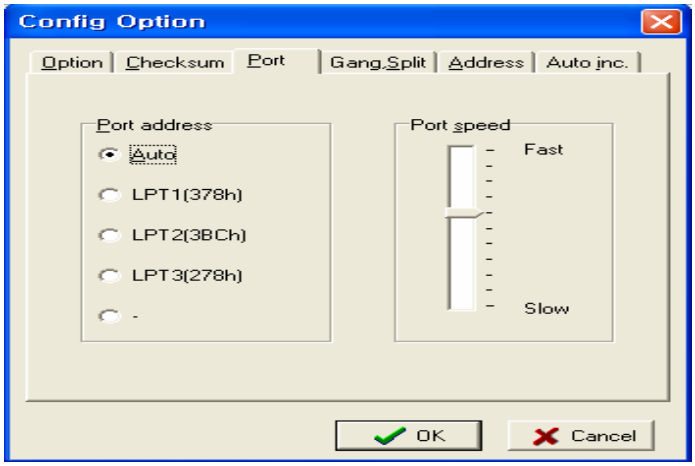
Config Option / 32 Bit Checksum

The digit of Checksum value appears in 4 (hex) numbers as standard checksum Value.

For 8 digit checksum value, click on the option box "32 Bit check sum" and maxloader display 8 (hex) numbers in the Check sum location.



Config Option / Port (TopMax, ChipMax)



A parallel port address can be determined by the Maxloader (TopMax/ChipMax) software.

Auto : TopMax/ChipMax will select a valid parallel port as the default address in your PC.

LPT1 : The parallel port 378 in HEX will be chosen for TopMax/ChipMax address.

LPT2 : The parallel port 3BC in HEX will be chosen for TopMax/ChipMax address.

LPT3 : The parallel port 278 in HEX will be chosen for TopMax/ChipMax address.

Port Speed: Because the ISA-bus clock speed is not as fast as that of the CPU, we designed this option to facilitate the problem caused when using a fast computer such as Pentium 90/133/166 MHz. The default value is 0. For computers that have CPU speed of greater or equal to 133 MHz, we recommend

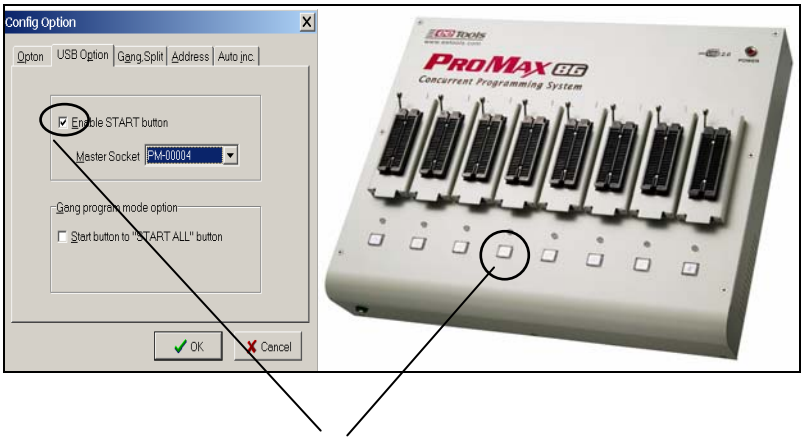
that you set the Port Delay to 40. In most cases, this option will help to solve the communication problem between your PC and TopMax/ChipMax).

***NOTE**: TopMax / ChipMax power switch should be ON. The Parallel cable is connected between TopMax / ChipMax and your PC parallel port. Make sure that the shields on each side of the cable are locked. See section 6 Troubleshooting if you are having difficulty with installation and communication.*

Config Option / USB Option (USB programmer)

USB option / Enable START button

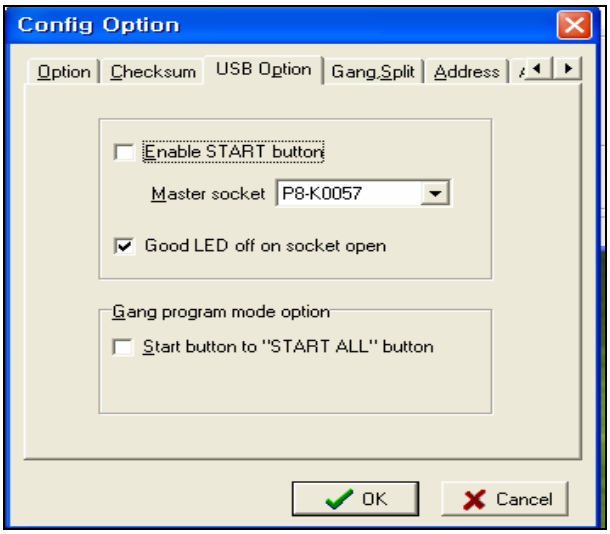
This option allows you to use a start key in USB programmer hardware rather than PC control software. Once you check in the this option and choose a master socket, the socket location will be selected as a **master** socket without opening the gang program mode(separate menu screen). So you can the multiple programmer ,ProMax-4G(8G), as a single-socked programmer. We can see the socket number in either beginning menu screen or gang program mode menu.



Enabling #4 socket to be master socket

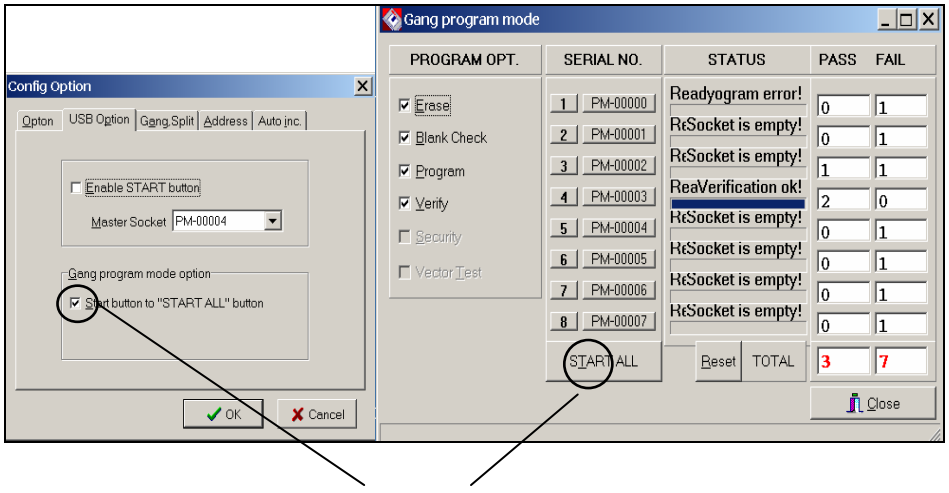
USB option / Good LED off on socket open

This option enable the LED light will not blink after done an operation.
So, user can recognize the empty socket is not being effective for any operation.



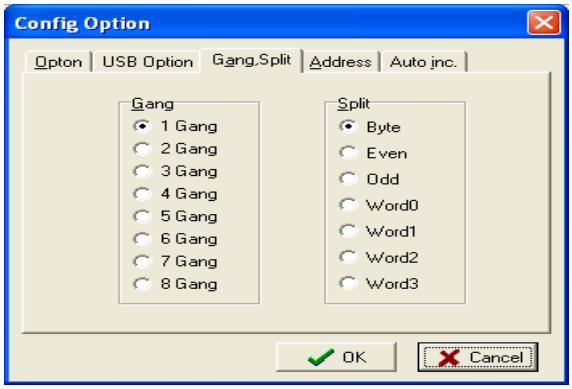
USB option / Enable "START ALL" button

This option enables any of the START button in multi-site programmer to be a start button for all others. So, customers don't need to press individual button as an auto programming mode. Customers who want to operate a separate operation for individual Start Button key must un-checked this option.



Enabling any of button to be a "Start Key"

Config Option / Gang Split Select



Gang (useful only TopMax, ChipMax)

Do not use this option for USB interface programmer.

Concurrent Gang Mode must be used in menu for USB multiple socket programmers.

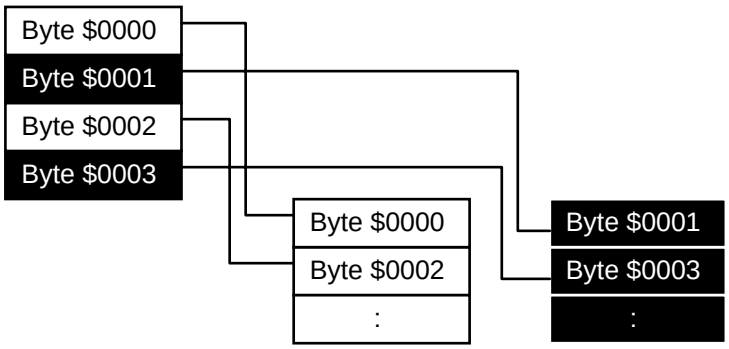
TopMax-8G(no longer since Jan. 2006) programs multiple E(E)PROMs up to eight devices at the same time. In order to program multiple E(E)PROMs, users must use **TopMax-8G**. **TopMax-8G** is especially useful when it is necessary to program many devices with the same data simultaneously. **TopMax-8G** is designed for multiple programming and it does not support set programming.

Split

When programming devices for a 16-bit or 32-bit environment, you will need to split your data onto two or four devices.

> ***NOTE****: SPLITTING DATA is different from SETTING DATA. Putting buffer data into multiple devices is called "SET DATA." Maxloader doesn't support the SET DATA.*

EXAMPLE 1: PROGRAMMING TWO 8-BIT EPROM AS FOLLOWS:

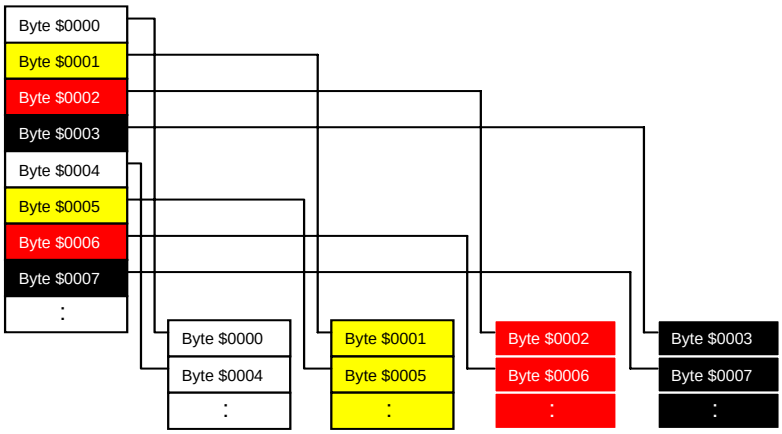


1. Load a 16-bit file into the buffer.
2. Select the target device from menu.
3. Insert the target device (#1) into the ZIF socket.

4. Click on EVEN in Split data menu.
5. Program the device (#1).
6. *Remove the device (#1) and insert the second device (#2) into the ZIF socket.*
7. Click on ODD.
8. Program the second device.

Now, you have two 8-bit EPROMs that have been programmed. The first EPROM (#1) contains all the even address or low bytes and the second (#2) device contains all the odd address or high bytes.

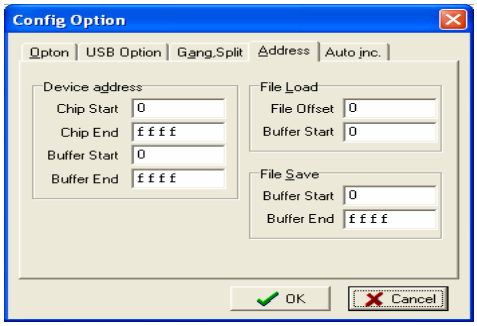
EXAMPLE 2: PROGRAMMING FOUR 8-BIT EPROMS AS FOLLOWS:



1. Select the target EPROM.
2. Load the HEX file (32-bit file) into the buffer.
3. Insert the first EPROM (#1) into the socket.
4. Invoke Word 0 in Split Data menu.
5. Program the mounted device.
6. *Remove the programmed device (#1) and insert the second device (#2) into the socket.*
7. Follow the same steps as above.

After programming the 4th EPROM with Word 3, you will have four 8-bit programmed EPROMs. The original file (32-bit) is split into four EPROMs that contain 8-bit data in each device.

Config Option / Address



Device Address

These address will be applied for programming the buffer data.

-Chip Start: Device Starting address for the data to be programmed in buffer.

-Chip End: Device Ending address for the data to be programmed in buffer.

-Buffer Start: Buffer Starting address for the data to be programmed.

-Buffer End: Buffer Ending address for the data to be programmed.

NOTE: Device size for different devices

Device	Device Address
2716	0 - 7FF
2732	0 - FFF
2764	0 - 1FFF
27128	0 - 3FFF
27256	0 - FFFF
27010/1024	0 - 1FFFF
27020/2048	0 - 3FFFF
27040/4096	0 – 7FFFF

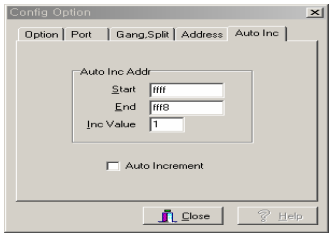
File Load

These address will be applied for programming the buffer data.
-File Offset is subtracted from addresses from the file downloaded to the programmer. For example, if you set File Offset to 1000h, then the downloaded data minus 1000h would be placed into the buffer at the address specified by the Buffer Start Address.
-Buffer Start Address is the address in the buffer where you want your downloaded data to start. For example, if you set Buffer Start Address to 800h, then the downloaded data only appears in the buffer beginning at address 800h.

File Save

These address will be applied for programming the buffer data.
-Buffer Start: Starting address for data to be saved.
-Buffer End: Ending address for data to be saved.

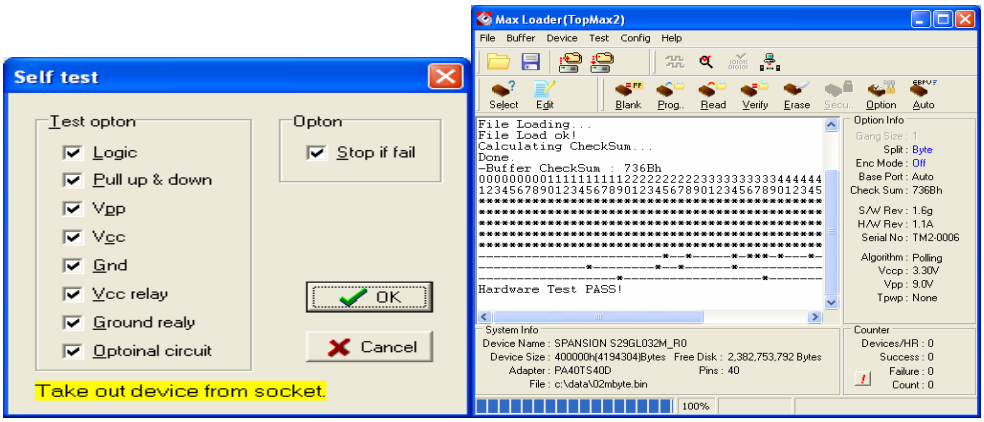
Config Option / Auto Inc



The feature allows users to program a certain area that might contain a serial number in the memory device with serialized number by a certain value.
Start : Start address of memory that contains serialized data
End : End address of memory
Inc Value : This value will be added to the previous data value

User must click on Auto Increment to program a memory with data increased by one to the previous data.

Config / Hardware test



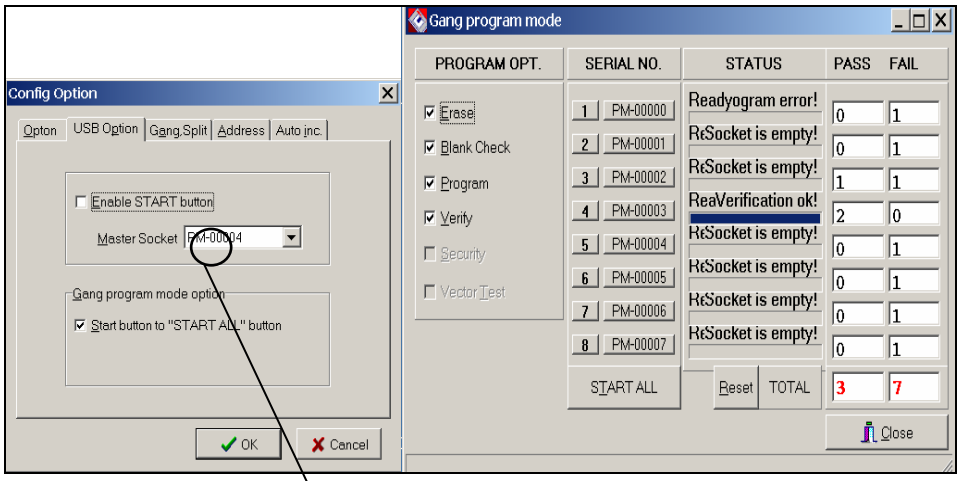
A hardware test is designed to assist customers in confirming and diagnosing problems relating to all programmers. If a hardware defect with a programmer is suspected, we recommend the users to run this test in order to confirm whether or not a problem has occurred with the programmer.

Config / Concurrent(gang) mode

Since the technology for USB allows to make a hub port available in a PC, we introduce multiple socket programmers, ProMax (4G, 8G), also multiple single-socked programmers can be operated as GANG PROGRAM MODE while the same model are connected in a USB hub(4 or 8) . With the Start key in USB programmer, a programmer command stream such as Erase/Blank/Program/Verify/Security can be executed without PC software control. You can execute individual socket with corresponding start button or all socket together with pressing any of START button.

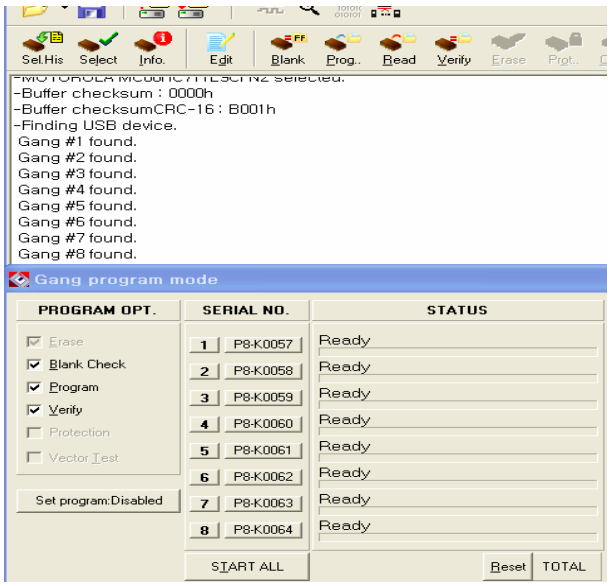
Do not touch the device in socket until the operation stream is not finished (stopped). Each operation in different socket can be displayed with blue color bar in menu screen.

This pictures illustrates how to set any of Start key enable all 8 sockets.
This option enables any of the START button in multi-site programmer to be a start button for all others. So, customers don't need to press individual button as an auto programming mode



Enabling any button to be a "Start Key"

The individual socket with a serial number can be executed once the Start button is pressed. After check the Enables START ALL button box in Config option, all 8 sockets will be executed when you click on any of the "START" key in Gang program. The START ALL button make all socket If the box is not checked, individual socket will be executed once the button that contains a serial number (actual programming socket) is clicked.



Wait 10 – 30 seconds for recognizing all sockets and you can see each socket's serial number in GANG PROGRAM MODE. There two different features in the ProMax programmer operations. One feature is that Data in buffer memory can be simply duplicated into more one socket(duplication). Other feature is splitting data in buffer to the sockets by same size(set) as much as the same buffer size of selected 8-bit memory device. It calls "Set Programming."

Program Opt.: Program options for automation programming. This operation steam will be executed once click on individual socket or START ALL button is clicked.

Serial NO.: Indicates all hardware serial numbers.

STATUS: Indicates executable command status in each programming location.

PASS: Indicates the number of devices passed.

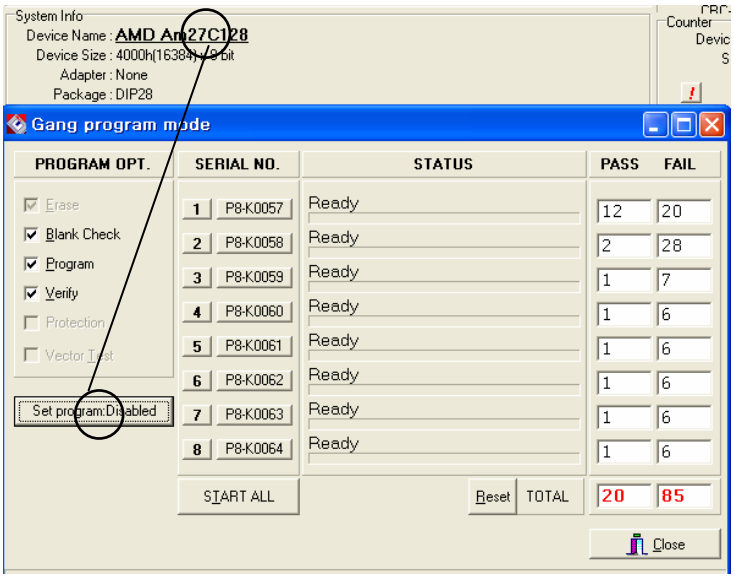
FAIL: Indicates the number of devices failed.

Reset : Set 0 in all of PASS / FAIL number.

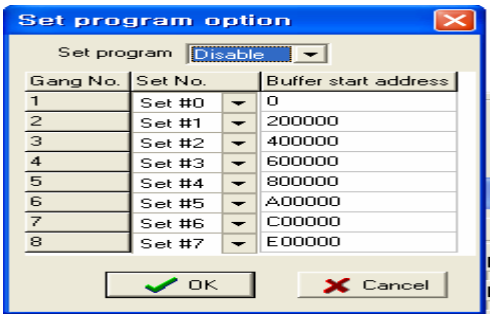
Close : Quite the current menu windows.

How to program (write) a same file into different sockets ?

If the target device is 8-bit EPROM such as 2764,128,256,512,101, make the Set Program Mode disabled. The Set Program menu button will not be appeared for all other(non-8 bit) device selection.



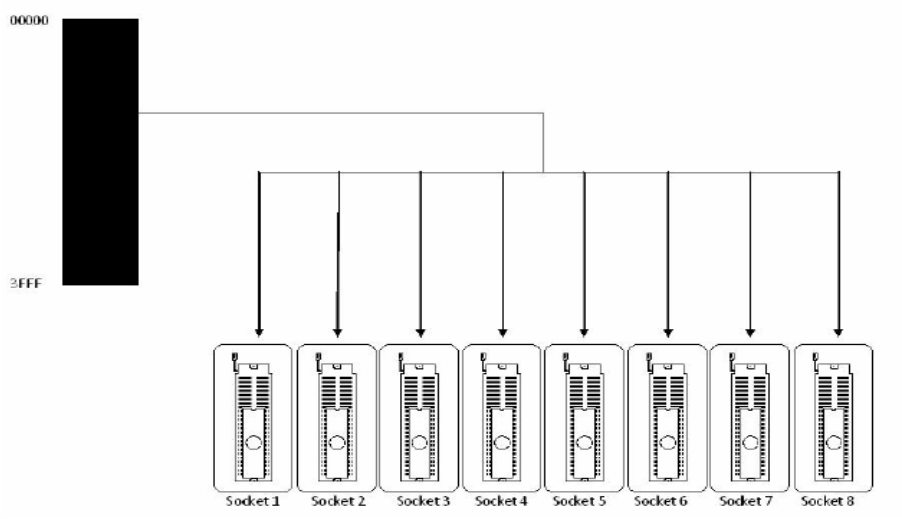
Set "Disable" in Set Program option which is not available for non-8 bit EPROM.



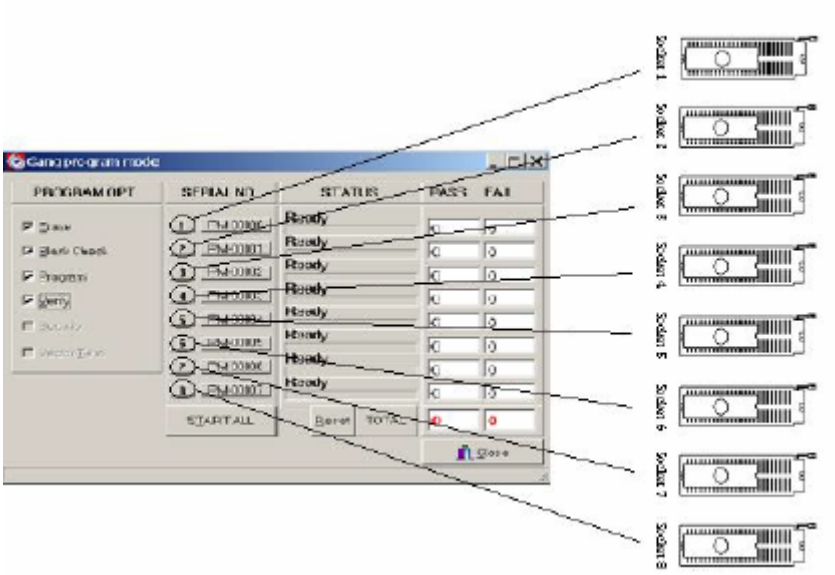
EXAMPLE 1: PROGRAM 8 OF 27128 EPROMS WITH SAME DATA:

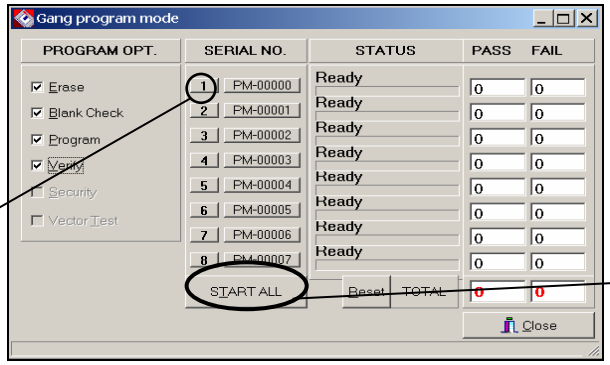
1. Select the target device(27128) and Load a file that should be same size as the selected Device size. The target devices could be any devices.
2. Click on the "Gang Program Mode" button.
3. Set Disable for the "Set program" in menu screen.
4. Insert as many as devices in the open sockets.
5. Click a button with serial number or the "START ALL" button and a programming steam will be executed.

This diagram illustrates how to write(program) buffer data(0000-3FFF for 27128 selection) in eight sockets with same data. All devices in 8 sockets must be identical and data in devices will be same after programming. If a device in a group failed during programming, the remaining devices will be programmed; then, a replacement device must be placed in the same socket as the failed device



The next diagram illustrates how to travel the same buffer data(0000-3FFF for 27128 selection) to the eight sockets.



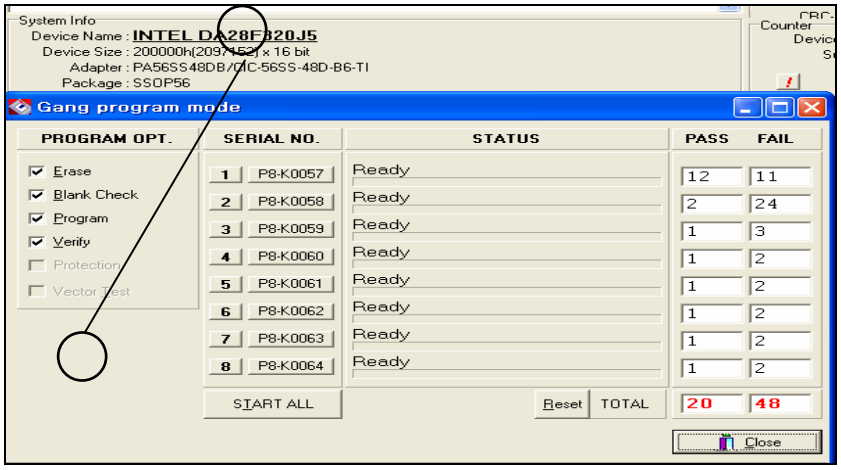


Click for individual socket operation

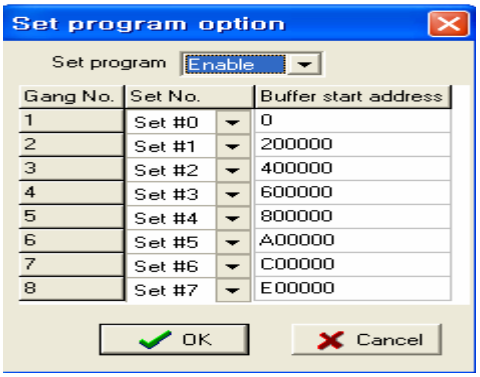
Click for operating all sockets at once, concurrent mode

How to program(write) buffer (blocks) data into different sockets ?

This option is not available for all other devices that are not 8-bit EPROMs. The menu screen below illustrates that there is no Set Program button because the device selected DA28F320J5 is not 8-bit EPROM.



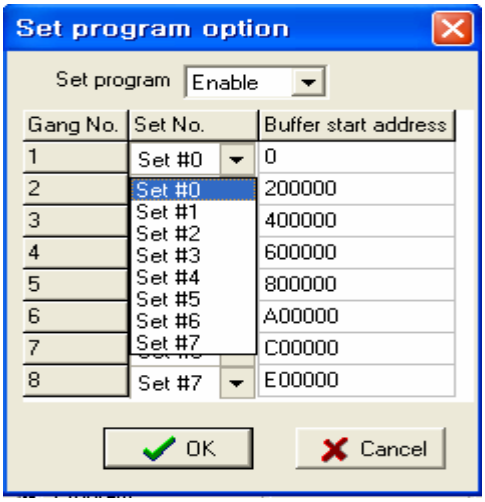
Set "Enable" in Set Program option that make all sockets with an EPROM are available for "Set Programming."



***NOTE**: Who may need the "set Programming ?"*

A file can be fit in an EPROM and the file size becomes bigger than the EPROM, so the large file should be split into more than one EPROMs. The ProMax software will split a file up to 8 blocks and program them in different EPROMs.

If the data blocks in buffer are less than the total socket numbers(4,8), same data block can be programmed in different sockets. You can assign the same data block in different socket because there will be empty sockets. So, you can assign each socket for different data block.

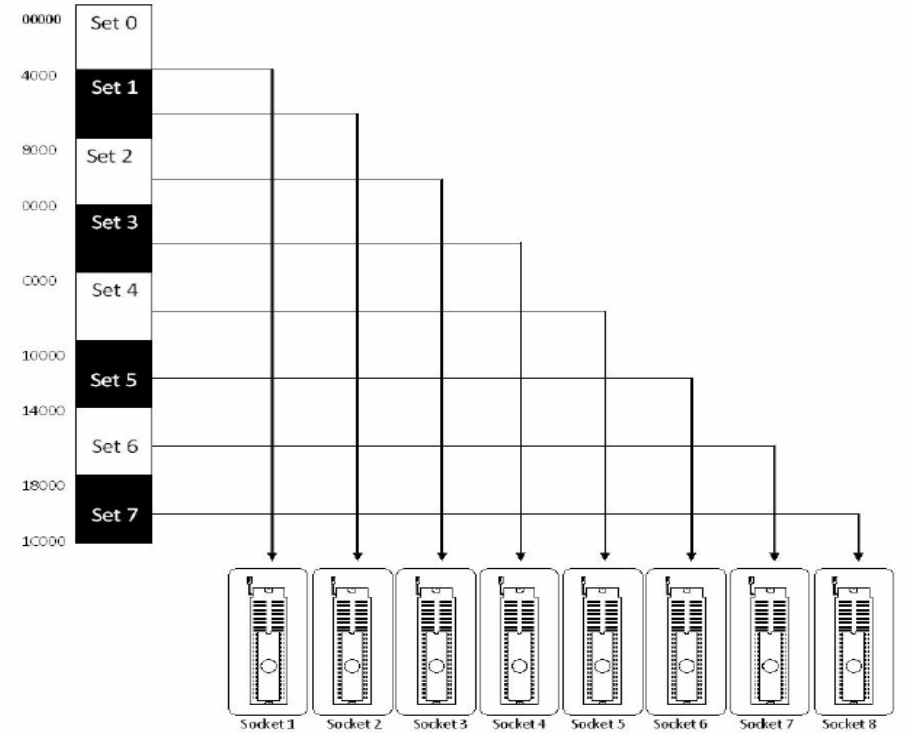


EXAMPLE 2: SET PROGRAM FOR 8 OF 27128 EPROMS:

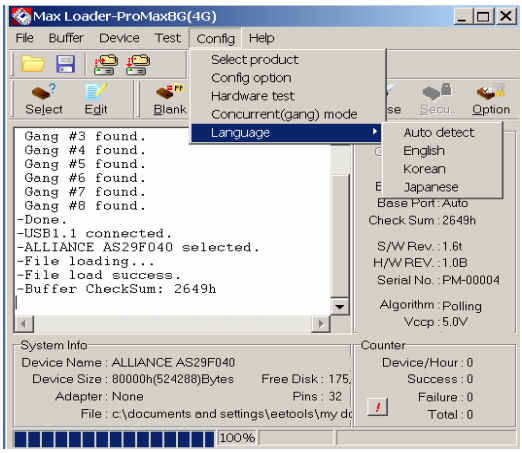
1. Select the target part 27128 and Load a file that should bigger than the selected EPROM size(3FFF).
2. Click on the "Gang Program Mode" button.
3. Set Enable for the "Set program" menu
4. Assign a block file for each socket as

(customer must know the total length of file and how split the buffer data into the EPROMs in sockets).
5. Click a button with serial number or the "START ALL" button and a programming steam will be executed.

As illustrated in the diagram, data is routed to sockets in sequential order(the first block of data goes to the first socket, the second block to the second, etc.). If a device in a group failed during programming, the remaining devices will be programmed; then, a replacement device must be placed in the same socket as the failed device



Config / Language



This option will help customer who want to use the Maxloader menu as native language with the OS that is installed for own languages.

7. TROUBLE SHOOTING & TECHNICAL SUPPORT

This section provides customer support information such as the return material authorization policy as well as methods of obtaining E.E.Tools' technical assistance and software updates.
All programmers are designed to require a minimum of technical support for both hardware and software. Since we make the product in USA, we supply qualified programmers as trouble-free as possible.

1. Registration

A registration card is located in the user guide manual with the CD-ROM software .Complete the card and returns it to E.E. Tools to become eligible for:
• Customer support, warranty service and technical assistance

• Notification and special pricing on new products and upgrades

Registration is particularly important if the programmer was purchased from a dealer, a distributor or through your purchasing department. Why not take a moment right now to complete the card.

2. Software Updates

Your programmer is designed to be highly flexible and programmable, allowing it to program a wide variety of chips. Consequently, when a problem does arise, it can usually be fixed with just a free software update. The new software updates are available from our WEB page at www.eetools.com

Use the new software if you have any other incorrect programming results.

3. Testing the Hardware

Make sure that your programmer works properly before you call us for technical assistance. Refer to Hardware Test section in the Config menu.

4. Quick Self-Diagnostics

In order to provide accurate and fast technical assistance, we recommend that you check the following information before you call our technical support department. We recommend that you obtain the latest software revision before calling our support line with a software problem. Eighty percent of our technical support calls result in asking the user to obtain the latest version of the software.

- For USB programmers TopMaxII, UniMax, ChipMax2, you should install the USB driver in your PC after install PC control software. The USB driver is in either CD-ROM or C:\Program Files\EE Tools directory.
- ProMax-4G will need the USB installation 4 times and ProMax-8G does 8 times. This installation should be done once you install the ProMax in your PC. Be sure that you use the same USB port for the ProMax programmer , otherwise you have to install the USB drivers again for different port. Do not power Off and ON in 30 seconds and you must wait over 30 seconds

once you un-plug an USB cable from PC(USB Hub) and plug-in the same cable.

- Be sure the device selected matches the device being used.
- For multi-site programmer usage, make sure all devices are identical.
- For a device that uses an adapter, be sure that the adapter is correctly oriented, seated properly, and the ZIF socket lever is down.
- Be sure power cord is securely attached to programmer and power pack to wall socket.
- Be sure that power switch is ON.
- Be sure that the parallel cable (IEEE standard, 25 pins and wires) is correctly and securely attached to the programmer and PC. The connection must be direct; there cannot be any software keys or locks between the parallel port and the programmer. Most switch boxes may also cause difficulties.
- You may need to change your printer port [even though it is working fine with your printer] because TopMax/Chip Max communicates with your computer via the printer port in a bi-directional mode.

5. Contacting Customer Support

E.E.Tools provides telephone technical assistance during normal business hours (9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Pacific time).

- Please call our Technical Support Department or your local E.E.Tools' distributor while you are at your computer and be prepared to repeat the sequence of steps leading up to the problem.

- Submit your support request to support@eetools.com or you may log-in www.eetools.com and submit your request .

- Have the following information ready when you call or send support request to support@eetools.com:

- The invoice number for the user who bought programmer from E.E.Tools.

- The distributor's name and the purchased date.
- The model & serial number found in the back side of programmer..
- The hardware software revision number from option info location at the Maxloader software screen.
- Description of problem with error message.
- The exact part number and package type you are working with.
- The adapter part number for non-standard package.

6. Service Information

Before sending a unit in for service, call us at 408-263-2221 to obtain a Return Authorization Number (RMA). We will not repair your unit unless an RMA was issued.

Warranty Service: Please return the product in the original package with proof of purchase to the below address. Clearly state in writing the performance problem and send any leads, connectors and accessories that you are using with the device.

Non-Warranty Service: Return the product in the original packaging to the below address. Clearly state in writing the performance problem and return any leads, connectors and accessories that you are using with the device. Customers not on open account must include payment in the form of a money order or credit card. For the most current repair charges contact the factory before shipping the product.

Return all merchandise to E.E. Tools, Inc., with pre-paid shipping.
The flat-fee repair charge includes return ground shipping to addresses in North America only. For overnight shipments and non-North America shipping fees contact E.E. Tools. Inc.

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Include with the instrument your complete return shipping address, contact name, phone number, and description of problem.

7. Limited One-Year Warranty

E.E. Tools, Inc., warrants to the original purchaser that its product and the component parts thereof, will be free from defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year from the date of purchase.

E.E. Tools, Inc., will, without charge, repair or replace, at its option, defective products or component parts. Returned products must be accompanied by proof of the purchase date in the form of a sales receipt.
To obtain warranty coverage in the U.S.A., this product must be registered by completing and mailing the enclosed warranty card to:
E.E. Tools, Inc., 4620 Fortran Drive, Suite 102, San Jose, CA 95134, USA.
Within fifteen (15) days from proof of purchase

Exclusions: This warranty does not apply in the event of misuse or abuse of the product or as a result of unauthorized alterations or repairs. It is void if the serial number is alternated, defeated, or removed.

E.E. Tools, Inc. shall not be liable for any consequential damages, including without limitations to damages resulting from loss of use. Some states do not allow limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific rights and you may have other rights, which vary from state-to-state.
Model Number:_____ Date Purchased:_____

8. Useful Web Site Addresses/ Phone Numbers

EE Tools, Inc. .....www.eetools.com
ALTERA.....www.altera.com
AMD .....www.amd.com
INTEL ..... www.intel.com
ATMEL .....www.atmel.com
CYPRESS .....www.cypress.com
DALLAS SEMI. .....www.dalsemi.com
HITACHI .....www.halsp.hitachi.com
INTEL .....www.intel.com
ISSI .....www.issi.com
LATTICE SEMI. .....www.latticesemi.com
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WAFERSCALE.....www.waferscale.com
WINBOND .....www.winbond.com
XICOR .....www.xicor.com
XILINX .....www.xilinx.com
ZILOG .....www.zilog.com

9. Programming Adapter Manufacturers

Compass Systems (Asia).....www.compass21.com
EE Tools, Inc. .....www.eetools.com
Emulation Technology.....www.1800adapter.com
Emulation Solutions.....www.adapters.com
Logical System.....www.logicalsys
Iron Wood.....www.ironwoodelectronics.com

10. EPROM Emulator Manufacturers

EE Tools, Inc. .....www.eetools.com
Tech Tools .....www.tech-tools.com

8. OTHER PRODUCTS

Optional EPROM Emulator

- EeRom-8U : Memory Emulation System for R&D and Engineering Part

. Communication –USB Port (1.1)
- Operation Software-Wind98/ME/2000/XP
- Low Voltage Supports-3.3V/5V
- Target Connect - 32Pin Dip Cable (Standard)
- 32Pin PLCC POD (Option)

- Buffer Memory – 8M,12ns SRAM (8bit)
- Download Speed – 1Mbyte/sec
- Reset Signal – Low/High Software Control
- Supports Device – E/EPROM : 2764-27080, 2864-28256
  Flash Memory : 29512-29040
- Size – 98x 63x 22 (mm)

The requirement to use the Window graphical application is :

- Processor: IBM PC or Compatible Pentium/100 MHz or better.
- RAM : 5MB
- DISK : 5MB
- Port : USB
- CD ROM Drive for Installation
- OS : Windows 98/ME/2000/XP
- Target Systems of EeRom-8U

Your target board required the following memory type for proper emulation with EeRom-8U. The basic EeRom-8U supports 8Mbits with 45NS Memory.

9. ABOUT NAND FLASH MEMORY

Comparison of NOR and NAND Flash technologies

	NOR (typical, varies a lot)	NAND
Density	Up to 32MB chips	Currently 256MB and growing.
Cost per MB	$1 - $2	$0.25 (approx.)
Access	Random	Page oriented with spare area on each page. Sequential access within a page.
Programmability	Can modify a single bit.	Very limited re-programming.
Read speed	50-100 nS	10 uS page 'seek' + 50 nS per byte
Program time	5 uS per byte	200 uS per page
Erasure time	1 S per 64KB block	2 mS per 16KB block
Reliability	Relatively immune to corruption. No bad blocks.	Needs error correction. Bad blocks marked when shipped.

Why NAND Flash

NAND-based flash is a low-cost high-capacity memory technology commonly used in large data applications such as digital cameras, 3G cell phones, PDAs, etc. In addition to using this data storage capability, manufacturers have found it beneficial in many cases to program code into NAND flash devices.

Embedded and mobile systems are increasingly using NAND flash for storage because it has various advantages over other storage technologies. As always though, life is a compromise and those advantages come with some limitations that need to be addressed to provide a robust flash file system.

Hard disks are not a viable storage option for many embedded and handheld systems because they are too big, too fragile and use too much power

Major difference is that NAND is shipped with marked bad blocks on the device, while NOR chips are shipped defect free. Thus, one expects to encounter some failures in NAND and should design accordingly.

How to Program NAND Flash

Since all Nand Flash contains BAD Block, NAND Flash developer should know:

- What is the input parameter of ROM writer for supporting the pre-programming in NAND flash memory
- Master image file.
- The number of NAND flash memory blocks. Refer to NAND flash memory specification.
- The number of Reservoir blocks in NAND flash memory.(Refer to GBBM specification.)

GBBM (Global Bad Block Management) manages the bad blocks of the whole NAND flash memory.

***Note**: Usually, new developers for NAND Flash should have a solution how to program their devices with NAND Flash semiconductor engineers and programmer vendor's software development engineer.*

How to READ NAND Flash

There is no global standard file system for NAND Flash programming for programmer vendors yet. Hence, customer who understand how to program

NAND Flash is not hard to expect that READ(copy) a NAND Flash is very difficult project unless the customer knows all information how to program the master NAND Flash. EE Tools support most NAND device with specialized file systems and simple algorithm with 'skipping bad blocks'. Please contact support.eetools.com for further assistance. Visit the www.nandflash.com if you want to know further information about NAND Flash memory.

10. GLOSSARY

BGA	Ball Grid Array. A surface mount device with solder balls and a high pin count, similar to PGA.
Bipolar PROM	A fuse-link programmable PROM.
Blank Check	A test performed by a device programmer to ascertain whether a device has been programmed (partial or total) or is in a virgin state.
Buffer	Data storage unit directly stored on CPU.
Checksum	A number that results by adding up every element of a pattern. Typically either a four or eight digit HEX number, it is a quick way to identify a pattern, since it is very unlikely that two patterns will have the same checksum.
Compare	Reading a programmable device and displaying any discrepancies from the desired pattern. Each error is displayed on the screen. This comparison is slower to perform than a verify on the programmer.
Device	Microchip or Integrated Circuit chip.
Die	The silicon chip that is located within an IC package. It is a small rectangular flat piece of silicon that has been fabricated with many transistors to perform a specific function. It is glued into a plastic or ceramic package and connected to the external metal interconnect pins of the IC with very small bonding wires. It can be seen through the window of erasable EPROMs.
DIP	Dual Inline Package. An IC package with two rows of through-hole pins, usually on 0.1 pitch, 0.3 or 0.6 inches apart.
FPGA	Field Programmable Gate Array. A very complex PLD. The FPGA usually has an architecture that comprises a large number of simple logic blocks, a

number of input/output pads, and a method to make random connections between the elements.

Functional Test A test that is performed following the programming of a PLD. The test operates the device in its normal operating mode by simulating the inputs and outputs that the part will experience in normal operation. To perform the test, the engineer must supply a set of test vectors that describe normal operation of the device so the device programmer can apply the specified stimulus and verify that the device is operating as designed. It is important to perform a functional test on PLDs because, in many cases, the PLD cannot be fully tested at the factory before programming so a defective PLD may program correctly but fail the functional test. A properly designed functional test will verify that the part meets the design specification, ensuring that the device, the compiler, the programmer, and the engineer have all performed their respective tasks correctly.

Fuse A metal connection within a PLD or memory that may be melted during programming to break the circuit. These links typically carry input signals to logic gates. Burning all the fuses except those that are required in the desired circuit forms the desired circuit configuration. Since the fuses cannot be tested nondestructively, fuse-like programmable devices cannot be 100% tested at the factory and consequently expected programming yields are usually 98-99%.

GAL Generic Array Logic. EEPROM based second generation PAL devices.

Gang Programmer A multiple-socket programmer that requires each device to be placed in a socket before any can be programmed. See Concurrent Programmer.

HEX file A human-readable ASCII file that represents any binary data. Each byte in the binary pattern is represented by two HEX characters (0-9, A-F) so that any of the 256 possible bytes, which include both control and unprintable characters, may be printed. The HEX file may also contain address or checksum information. The pattern represented by the HEX file may be represented by a binary file or any of the HEX file formats – any file format may contain any pattern. The names of the HEX file formats (Intel, Motorola,

	Tektronix, etc.) indicate who standardized its format and does not indicate anything about the pattern or the device the pattern is intended for.
I/O	Input/ Output.
JEDEC	Joint Electron Device Engineering Council (pronounced JED'eck). A group organized by the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) that has defined a standard file format for PLDs.
JEDEC file	A file conforming to a standard format that specifies the configuration and testing procedure for a PLD. The file is in a human-readable ASCII format and consists of fields that start with a letter and end with an asterisk. Fields specify the pattern to program into the part, whether to secure the device, a set of test vectors to perform a functional test, and checksums to verify the integrity of the file.
LCC	Leadless Chip Carrier. A square ceramic package that has no leads; Instead it has metal areas that are surface-mount soldered to the target circuit. This package is usually used only for military and aerospace applications. Available up to 84 pins.
Memory device	A Device that contains an array of storage locations. The device has a set of inputs, called address, which specify which location in the array is being accessed. A set of input/output pins produce the stored number (pattern) when the device is read, and accept a new value when the device is written or programmed. Additionally, there are one or more input pins that select the operating move (read, write, standby, etc.). Memory devices may be classified by whether they are volatile or nonvolatile, and whether they may be erased. The memory's organization refers to its word width and the number of words in the device.
Microcontroller	A device that contains a central processing unit (CPU), memory, and I/O ports on a single IC. Microcontrollers that contain any form of nonvolatile memory may be programmed on a device programmer. When connected to a power supply and external crystal, many of these devices form a complete microcomputer.

Non-Volatile	The Characteristic of a memory that does not lose its contents when its power is removed. Non-volatile memory is useful in microcomputer circuits because it can provide instructions for a CPU as soon as the power is applied, before secondary devices, such as disk, can be accessed. Non-Volatile memory includes ROM, EPROM and EEPROM.
Oscillator	A device that produces an alternating output current.
OTP	One-time programmable. The characteristic of a memory device that can be programmed once but cannot be erased. When an EPROM is described as OTP, this means that its die is erasable when exposed to ultraviolet light, but because of its package, which is not transparent, it cannot be exposed to light and thus it cannot be erased.
Package	The plastic or ceramic that protects an IC die and connects it to the target circuit.
PGA	Pin Grid Array. A square, through-hold IC package that has pins located on a square grid with 0.1000-inch pitch. It may have up to several hundred pins. Used primarily for military and prototype designs.
PLCC	Plastic Leaded Chip Carrier, A square plastic package that has J-shaped leads on four sides. This can be surface mounted or placed in a socket for through-hole use. Available in 20 to 84 pins.
PLD Compiler	A software package that allows an engineer to specify the functionality of a PLD through a high-level language or schematic diagram. The software will convert the design into a JEDEC or other file for the PLD programmer. PLD compilers are available from numerous IC manufacturers and from third parties. The packages from IC manufacturers support only one brand of device and may be free, inexpensive or expensive. The most popular compiler is PALASM (prices under $200, available from AMD sales offices and representatives), which supports most of AMD's line of PLDs with an easy-to-learn high-level language. The compiler that probably offers the highest level of functionality and flexibility is PLDmaster made by Logical Devices. It supports most PLDs and offers a sophisticated input language with full support for state machines and other complex constructs,

	partitioning designs into several PLDs, and graphical input. Their tools run on PCs and workstations. PLD compilers have simulators that can be used to test the functionality of your design and validate test vectors that you design before programming a device.
PQFP	Plastic Quad Flat Pack. See QFP.
QFP	Quad Flat Pack. A square IC package that has surface-mount leads coming from four sides. It is used for high-density applications, usually over 100 pins. Lead pitch may be 0.025 inches or smaller.
RAM	Random Access Memory. A volatile memory device.
ROM	Read Only Memory. A non-volatile memory device that cannot be programmed by the user. It is programmed at the factory through the use of a mask pattern in the final fabrication steps of the die.
Serial Memory	An EPROM or EEPROM that is accessed by shifting in addresses and shifting out data one bit at a time. Interfaces are available using one, two or three wires for clock, data in, and data out.
Socket module	An interchangeable metal chassis that contains a programming socket.
SOIC	Small Outline Integrated Circuit. A surface-mount IC package that has two rows of leads on opposite sides. Commonly found in 8 to 32 pin sizes. Leads are usually 0.050 pitch.
Test vector	A set of characters that describe the inputs and outputs of a device during a functional test. There is one character in the vector for each pin on the device. Numbers represent inputs to be applied to the device (1 for Vih, 0 for Vil). Letters represent the outputs that must be tested (H for Voh, L for Vol, Z for high-impedance). During the test, the part will be powered up and each input will be applied to the device for the first vector. Then, each output will be applied to the device for the first vector. This process will continue for each vector and any errors will be reported.
TQF	Thin Quad Flat Pack. Similar to QFP but with a lower profile and physically smaller in length and width.
TSOP	Thin Small Outline Package. A surface-mount package with fine-pitch leads (usually 0.025 inch pitch) on two sides. This package is very low profile and

commonly available in a reverse (mirror image) pin out used to simplify circuit board layout. Usually 32 to 44 pins.

UV Erasable The characteristic of an EPROM that allows it to be erased with exposure to short –wave ultra-violet light. This high-energy light can discharge the floating-gate transistor cells that store bits in an EPROM. The most common source of such light is a mercury vapor tube much like an ordinary fluorescent tube, but without the phosphor that turns the UV light emitted by the mercury into visible light. The light from ordinary fluorescent lamps or sunlight generally takes years to erase an EPROM. All UV erasable parts have a quartz windowed ceramic package that allows exposure with UV light.

Verify Reading a programmable device and comparing its contents to the desired pattern for that device. This is a go/no-go test – it does not report what the discrepancies are. See also: compare.

Word width The number of output pins that a memory device has. The most common size for EPROMs is byte wide (8 bits) and "word" wide, or 16 bits. It can also refer to the aggregate width of several memory devices used in a set.